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Class of 1975

40th Reunion Record Book

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To Members of the Class of 1975:

In the pages that follow, many of you have shared your story—of the paths you have taken since your Wellesley Commencement 40 years ago, of careers and family, and of lasting friendships. These individual stories are an important part of the larger Wellesley story. Taken together, they are the best example of the effect of a Wellesley education.

Your 40th Reunion is a marvelous occasion to compile the stories of your class into a bound book—a time-honored tradition at Wellesley. While many of you are likely already connected to one another, there is something special about having a record of the interests and accomplishments of the members of your class.

As I travel around the world, meeting with alumnae, I almost always hear the stories of the deep and lasting friendships that alumnae formed as students on campus. In fact, studies suggest that friendships developed at women’s colleges persist longer than others. A Wellesley Reunion is the perfect place to see this in action.

I look forward to welcoming you back to Wellesley for your 40th Reunion, and to learning about the ways in which you and the College have—and have not—changed since your time here. And I look forward to celebrating with you the enduring strength of friendships and Wellesley.

Everyone has a story to tell, and I am grateful to you for sharing yours.

Sincerely,

H. Kim Bottomly
We thank those of you who participated in the survey … about 97 of you took the time to answer the questions posed. The results are probably what one would expect.

Most of us are enjoying our life with a significant other, with less than 10% remaining single since graduation. It seems to suit us, as close to 75% remain with their partner.

We have done our part to repopulate this world as over 80% of those responding have had children … although the next generation is not quite as active. Less than 24% of respondents are grandparents. We just aren’t old enough yet!

Additional education and work play a big role in the class dynamics. Close to 35% of respondents went on to additional degrees after graduation. Consistent with that, work has played a significant role in our lives with over 86% of women answering that they were somewhat satisfied or completely satisfied with their career and worklife. And … supporting that we are not as old as some say, less than 30% of us are retired.

Life struggles have not been avoided. Over 40% of respondents have dealt with the loss of their mother figure, while 60% have lost their father. Luckily for over 50%, their own health is viewed as excellent … although 35% have dealt with major health issues or surgeries. And to no one’s surprise … 97% of us have gone thru menopause.
While our class seems to skew Democratic by a large margin (64%), we seem to be holding onto those political beliefs that we formed in college with almost no change in political ideology.

The more fascinating aspects of these results apply to the questions about your view of life from college days, versus now. Most of us believe that our careers, our relationships and partnerships, and our life turned out as we expected at 21. We are happier with ourselves emotionally, and with the way we look, even more physically fit than we thought we were at graduation. Over 80% answered that they were satisfied with their place in the world.

So, in summation, we sent a fantastic class of women out into the world at graduation – smart, successful, and well balanced – who are enjoying their life as it unfolds!!

These results are not statistically significant nor do they really represent the entire class. They are interesting to see where we fit into life’s cycles. For exact results by question, the survey can be viewed as a pdf at www.1975.alum.wellesley.edu/article.html?aid=110 or from the class page, www.1975.alum.wellesley.edu.
College government officers listen attentively at Senate's meeting Monday night. From left they are: Barbara Vondy '76, Chairman of Vil Juniors, Stephanie Smith '75, Chairman of House Presidents, Ann Conolly '76, Student Bursar, Angela Freyre '76, Jr. Vice-President for On Campus Affairs, Linny Little '75, CG President, Liane Callahan '76, Jr. Vice-President, for Off-Campus Affairs.

One of Wellesley's celebrated forward line, Holly Wolf '75, right, easily eludes a Jackson player with her quick stick to aid the field hockey team to a 1-0 victory. Wellesley captain Shelby Riddle, left, is ever-present in her center back position. (Photo by Sasha Norkin '75)

The Hunnewell estate formed the scenic backdrop to an intercollegiate foursome rowing Friday in blinding snow. Bow Pam Owensby '75, Melanie Inglis '78, Diane Young '78, stroke Jamie Sabino '75 and cox Betsy Holton '75 will put two weeks of such hard core preparation (some call it lunacy) on the line tomorrow against Brown.

Residential Policy Committee discusses spring rooming situation. (Photo by Sasha Norkin '75)

Frustration is evident as students try to buy their books recently at Hathaway's Well.

Marlene Fougerson '75, and Claire Norak '75 pose for their official press photographs. (Photo by Sasha Norkin '75)

Linny Little '75, President of College Government 1974-75, admits the job that she faces this year.
Ethos Choir “Getting Down” at their Sunday, April 22 performance for Williams College. Joan Wallace ’75 is soloist.

Jumping Off The Roof: RETURN PERFORMANCE April 26 Jewett 1:30 p.m.
Free: Wellesley/MIT I.D.
Tickets: $.50 and student’s parents

The three dramatists hit Wellesley, Mary Stuart White, left, is looking for funds to put “Jumping Off the Roof” on the road. Gloria James, center, as a cast member of “I am a Black Woman” is rehearsing for May 9, 10, and 11 performances. Jane Freundel, right, is director of Cabaret which plays tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. in Jewett.

A scene from “Jumping Off the Roof: an original multi-media women’s experience” presented by Experimental Theatre. photo by Sasha Norkin ’75

Martine Fougeron ’75 emotes in “La Mort de Cesar”. photo by Ann Fougeron ’76
College reconsiders financial hesitations

Infirmary adds h-controls, gynecologist to join staff

New Analysis by Debra Kramer ’73

Contraception has long been practiced in Wellesley dormitories, but contraceptive devices became available to students for the first time through College Health Services. Health Services has also decided to add a gynecologist to their staff of health practitioners.

Schedule adds female studies

This spring Wellesley will join the ranks of colleges and universities across the country which offer interdisciplinary courses on women. Wellesley’s first multi-disciplinary women’s studies course – Contemporary Women: An Interdisciplinary Perspective (Extradepartmental)

Squeeze on rooming space as Number of students increases

By Patricia Meil ’75

The dorm atmospheres of Claffin and Shafer may have suffered due to the closing of their respective dining halls, but certain compensations were made. This summer, Claffin and Shafer shared $90,000, but $50,000 was shared by the remaining dorms. Joyce Waddington, Director of Residence, stated that every summer two other dorms will get the preferential treatment.

Center for Research on Women opens

by Sharon Callin ’77

Sweden, Myrdal spoke on "Enhancing the Quality of Life in Modern Society." She expressed alarm about the recent downward trend in the U.S. regarding the advancement of women. She found the U.S.’s competitive, profit-oriented system as instrumental in holding women back, especially in their career achievements.

Dorms lost dining halls but gained student kitchens

installation of an all-house student kitchen with full appliances seemed to be the best course of action. In Claffin, a taping area with work counters and lighting, acoustical tackingboard, and extra electrical outlets were made in a small area of the former dining in the dining room. The remaining space of the dining room will be converted to a lounge and furnished for sitting and television viewing. A study/library will be set up with carrels and bookshelves, carving and tackingboard. The mail area was supplied with better lighting and comfortable chairs were consolodated to create a sitting area.

The air conditioning at the new dorm, newer dorms of Severance in the future developments.

Renovation of dorms of Severance in the future developments.

The air conditioning at the new dorms of Severance in the future developments.
Music in the dorm (Mary Ruth Koehler ’72 and Kathy Smith ’75), 2/1972, by Bradford Herzog, courtesy of the Wellesley College Archives
Senior breakfast 1975, by Chalue, courtesy of the Wellesley College Archives

President’s reception, Commencement 1975, by Bradford Herzog, courtesy of the Wellesley College Archives
Carolyn Kirschner and Betsy Brickley with a Harvard friend, freshman year outside Bates

Threesome sitting together on the grass at the May Day concert under Severance hill when Bonnie Raitt played, circa 1973:
Carolyn Kirschner, Betsy Brickley, Kristin Ser Vaas.

Betsy Brickley at Lake Waban

Betsy Brickley and Wellesley friend at Schneider Center, listening to a lecture upstairs

Carolyn Kirschner and Ann Connolly at the Cape, just before graduation

Pammy Stanton, Betsy Brickley, Kristin Ser Vaas, at graduation
Laurie Breitkopf with tulips and Galen Stone Tower, May, 1975

Laurie Breitkopf, Spring 1975

Albums on the floor after a party in Bates second floor short-end common room, 1971-72

Science Center construction, spring, 1975
Fall 1971, Tower Court West, Big Sister's birthday party with (from left) Carol Barton (class of 74), Joan Snowdon, Gail Strabala, Mary McCormack, Laurel Carrington, and Libby Sylvia (class of 73).

Fall 1971, Tower Court Christmas Dinner with (from left) Marian De Jesus, Pam Owensby, Carol Barton, Allyn Christopher, Miss Avitabile (hidden), Natalie Kucharaki, Gail Strabala.

Fall 1972, Tower Court West pals (from left) Marian De Jesus, Allyn Christopher, Gail Strabala, Carolyn Hessenbruch.

Spring 1975, Stone, Mary McCormack preparing a vat of borscht for the Slavic Society annual dinner.

Spring 1975 Hoop rolling, with Tower Court One West alums (top, from left) Gail Strabala and Marilyn Jensen, and (bottom, from left) Karen Lembo, Allyn Christopher, Mary McCormack, Carolyn Hessenbruch.

Photos courtesy of Carolyn McKeon.
Mostly of Shafer, including Dorit Schutzengel Heimer, Jodie Ervay Bradshaw, Pam Farley Short, Anne Wright Campbell, Charlotte Hayes; courtesy of Dorit Heimer
Views from Galen Stone Tower and around campus (including Kathy Smith, Beth Snyder, Lisa Robbins), Lake Waban, McAfee in the snow, mostly 1971-2; courtesy of Kathy Smith Collett
Reading romance magazines:
Lisa Robbins '75,
Kathy Smith '75,
Mary Ruth Koehler '72,
Gail '72,
Beth Snyder '75,
Barbara Sherlock '72

Diane Filipowitz,
Evalyn Stone,
Lisa Robbins

Freeman Hall, Third Floor short end, circa 1971-2, courtesy of Kathy Smith Collett
Freeman houseparents—Sue Preston and husband, toddler Tad, with Beth Snyder and Kathy Smith, circa 1971

Betsy Barr, Beth Snyder, and Kathy Smith, Christmas 1972, dressed for choir concert

Freeman Hall window, winter 1974

Commencement 1975
Kathy Smith, Betsy Barr, Beth Snyder, Narumi Yamada

Beth Snyder, Barbara Hansen, Mr. Herrmann, Betsy Barr; Kathy Smith, in front of the Chapel

Courtesy of Kathy Smith Collett
Members of Class of 1975 in Munger Hall, courtesy of Joan Davis

Claudia Stone Gourdon, Denise Walsh, & Lora Stewart

Jodie, Dorit, Pam; courtesy of C. Hayes

Jodie, Dorit, Pam, Char, Ann Wright; and Pam, Gretchen, Dorit, Jodie, Char—courtesy of Charlotte Hayes
2010-2015
Current job: I quit the job I have had for the last 20 years doing primary and urgent care to work as a field doctor for Medicins Sans Frontieres in Uganda. Working for MSF taking care of South Sudanese refugees has been a great experience. I love the medical part of it (I feel so much more useful here where there are so few doctors), getting to know people from all over the world, and seeing a beautiful part of Africa. I will go home at the end of March and spend some time visiting family before deciding what I will do next.

Family: 3 kids, one married and working, two still in school (son in physics/engineering, and daughter in MD/PhD program). No grandchildren yet but I can’t wait!

Travel: My son and his wife lived in Sicily for the last 3 years and I made many trips to visit and travel with them. Have also been on sailing and diving trips to the Caribbean. Last June, my daughter and I vacationed in the Turks and Caicos on my way to Haiti. It was the perfect beach vacation—we did nothing but swim, sail a Hobie Cat, stand up paddleboard and read all day long. After that I went to Haiti to work with a group of Tufts Medical students on a rotation there. The conditions for many of the Haitians were worse than those of the refugees here.
Athletics: Athletics are a bigger part of my life now than when I was raising kids. A couple of years ago I competed in a swim from Alcatraz to San Francisco and won in my age group. It gets easier to win competitions as you get older! My son, daughter and I competed in the Lobsterman Triathlon in Freeport, Maine in 2013 with me doing the ocean swim leg.

I have had tons of fun playing water polo for the last few years with a fantastic group of women. We compete in either the +50 or +55 category. Last summer we won first place in Montreal at FINA World Master’s in the +50 category. Those of us over 60 were quite pleased!

What do I expect to be doing in the next 5 years? Not sure what I will be doing except for spending time with family and travel both of which I love. Expect to do some urgent care work in the next year while I decide what to do career wise. Not quite ready for retirement and plan to work part-time for a number of years. I would like to do an emergency mission for MSF but for shorter than 6 months.
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Describe your family:
I married Brad Snodgrass in 1990 and we have a daughter, Melia, who is graduating from college this year! Brad is a biologist by day (he does research at Novartis) and a diving coach by night (he coaches MIT, Tufts, and runs his own age-group program - Infinite Divers). Melia is getting her BFA in Photography from NYU’s Tisch School for the Arts. She’s been learning Mandarin and spent her semester abroad in Shanghai last year, and is even thinking of returning there upon graduation for a bit. My father is still hanging in there, lives in Greece, and I spend many months a year in Athens, taking care of him. He’s about to turn 89!

What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years?
Aside from taking care of my ailing mother – she died 4 years ago – and now my aging father in Athens, Brad and I launched our kid – she went off to college and is now about to graduate!

The other milestone is that I finished my film! It’s a feature documentary, part of a trilogy, 30 years in the making, about my cousin who was kidnapped from his native Greece and found in the US on the eve of his 16th birthday. The film had its World Premiere at the Thessaloniki Int’l Documentary Film Festival (Greece) last spring and been to festivals in Egypt, Argentina, Australia, as well as playing in Los Angeles, NYC, Atlanta, and Boston. I’m hoping to continue the festival circuit and even come to a theater near you! It’s called LOST IN THE BEWILDERNESS and if you want to check it out, the official website is: www.lostinthebewilderness.com or Like it! on FB: https://www.facebook.com/LostintheBewildernessFilm
I was thrilled to have Wellesley friends come to the NYC and Boston
premieres – Carol (Freeman) Young, Wynn (Johnson) Goodchild, and Nancy Livingston’s (my Freshman roommate!) sister and mother!

In 2014, I was lucky enough to travel to China to see Melia, and to Egypt and Argentina for the film festivals.

This year also marks my 16th year teaching Filmmaking at the Rhode Island School of Design in Providence, RI – I still love it.

The other wonderful thing that happened is that I met up with many Wellesley pals in the last couple of years and reconnected – aside from those mentioned above, there’s Judy Riley (who I almost took down – as I lost my balance - in Ski class Freshman year) and Sara Scherr who was in Greece with her husband Alan when I happened to be there last summer, so they visited me, and I also re-found Esty (Frankel) da Costal by email, whose whereabouts I’d sadly lost. I even almost got together with Lucia Colombino (she lives in Montevideo) when I was at the film festival in Buenos Aires. Had it not been for the Uruguayan elections, we would have met halfway. Maybe next time!

What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.?

I would like to stay healthy; finish my film trilogy and start working on my first narrative feature; travel and keep learning as much as possible; be there for my family; and try to do some good deeds. As a late bloomer, I can’t imagine retiring – I hope I can make films until I drop, ha ha.
I’ve been married since 1979 to Paul Atwood. Paul retired last summer from his career as a civil engineer/land surveyor. Our son Benjamin was born in 1981. He graduated from U of Rochester in Computer Science. Ben lives in a three-story row house he bought 7 years ago in Fells Point in Baltimore and works in Columbia, Maryland as a Senior Software Engineer at Vectorworks USA. Our daughter Julia, born in 1984, lives with her husband John, in a tiny house in Medford, Mass, bought in 2010, with a nice yard and vegetable garden. Julia and John both graduated from Wheaton in Massachusetts and both got Masters degrees in their fields. She has worked in libraries (including Clapp) and art museums. She currently works at the ICA in Boston. John is an editor at Shambhala Publications in Boston.

By the time you read this, I will have announced my retirement from Wellesley after nearly 20 years in the Library and Technology Services department. I’ll take my leave in July, and it kind of feels like another graduation. I filled lots of roles over the years as technology changed, but most of the time worked on implementing, upgrading and administering campus-wide or multi-departmental projects such as email and conferencing systems, calendar system, medical records system, security management system, content management system, document management system etc. The past 5 years I’ve worked as a BI Analyst helping various departments analyze and present data on courses, students, faculty, admission and finances. The last project I’m managing is making the HR office paperless, so we’re in the midst of getting all the back records scanned and indexed. I’m ready to leave the job but not the friends. I understand I’ll still be able to audit classes and use the library as an alum, so I’ll be back. My whole family has been involved with Wellesley. Ben and Julia both had summer jobs and worked here for a short while after college graduation. Paul is very involved with the Nehoiden golf club community and he’ll continue with that.

After retirement, we’ll do some traveling. We’ve been to Europe a few times, the Azores, British Virgin Islands, all across Canada and most US states, and we have a pretty long list for the future that we’ll have to pare down. Other than that, I know I’ll do community work of some sort. I have an idea of starting a maker space in my town, and maybe teaching kids to knit, working at the community farm and at the food pantry. I’d love to get some farm animals. We’ll see.

We like where we live and want to spend a lot of time there. We will try to retire in place as long as possible. It’s an old (1780) farm with between 13 and 14 acres of land that had belonged to my grandparents. A lot of it is wetland including a brook and a pond which brings us lots of wildlife, but we also have 6 tillable acres that are divided into three areas – a hay field for a local dairy farmer, two acres used by the Medway Community Farm to supplement their CSA growing space, and one acre for ourselves to grow lots of blueberry bushes and a few vegetables that the community farm doesn’t plant. The field is rimmed by Concord grape vines. We preserve food by making jam and jelly, canning, dehydrating and freezing, so we eat pretty well all year long.
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As some may recall from prior Record Books, my post Wellesley life took a dramatic turn on Presidents Day 1985 when I suffered a Traumatic Brain Injury as a result of a skiing accident. After several weeks in a coma, I regained consciousness but remained hospitalized for 3 months, followed by in and out patient rehab for some months longer. When I returned home, I was blind but able to live independently again albeit with severe memory and other cognitive deficits.

Needless to say my accident cut short my career which had been progressing from CPA Audit Supervisor at a Boston’s Price Waterhouse Cooper to an Office Chief position with the S.E.C. in Washington DC. Despite my disability, I did eventually manage to finish my last few law school courses, adding another set of abbreviations to my now decidedly less relevant resume (MS in Acctg / MBA; CPA; JD)

Since my previous professional path closed to me, I refocused my energies and efforts on equal rights for the disabled. For a time I was able to serve on several state disability advisory councils and I worked part time for 10 years at a resource info center. A main concern all along has been to raise awareness of traumatic brain injuries in the hopes that greater prevention and treatment will follow.

These days though (and last 5 years), I am feeling my age and my disability more directly, due to progressive scoliosis which, because it was not timely diagnosed, has affected my mobility, independence and outlook significantly. It’s also forced me to forego the companionship of faithful canine assistance. Over previous years, I had had a series of three beloved German Shepherds which I considered my “babies” since I never had the chance to have children. Unfortunately I can no longer take care of them, so instead of canines, I get by with my canes, my good friends, neighbors and family.

Events of the last 5 years: Major themes of these past years seem then to be about infirmity and loss. My father died in 2011 just shy of 89 and recently my aunt (Dad’s sister) died nearing her 95th birthday. She was the last of my parent’s generation on either side so I suppose I should now accept the inevitable “elder” mantle though I feel it mostly in body and less in spirit. On the brighter side, my 60th birthday coincides with this year’s reunion.

Another big focus of my life now is maintaining my 100 year-old-house where I’ve lived for almost 40 years. During that time I’ve replaced the roof, exterior front wall, outside back wall, floors, cabinets, windows etc. Now I am learning about foundation work and the need for windows once more. The house, like me, is showing it’s age and “crookedness” (which reminds me of that nursery rhyme with a slight gender change: “there was a crooked woman … who lived in a little crooked house”)
I’ve mentioned in previous entries that I “credit” Wellesley with my now serious problem of not wanting to throw anything away (since they made it so easy to save our stuff year to year by letting us tags boxes and trunks which would then magically show up in our new dorm rooms). In an effort to improve my surroundings, I have been working for the last two years with a wonderful Smith alum who has built a successful second career of helping people dig out of their accumulated messes. (Retirement career alert: Personal Organizers are a growth industry). She has helped me and other similarly challenged “collectors” who just can’t seem to know when to let go. She can recycle just about anything and everything, including clothes that are beyond repair but which can apparently still become insulation?

What to expect for the next 5 years? : More of the same I’m afraid. I do hope that I will manage to start getting the necessary physical therapy to deal with my scoliosis and avoid the spinal fusion surgery that was initially recommended. And I really hope someday that I can even get another guide dog again (it’s a dream but I’m working on it.)

Looking back now at the last 40 years, I feel in the ten years after Wellesley I accomplished a lot, and I am proud of what I achieved both professionally and educationally in that decade. My unfortunate accident 30 years ago may have forever changed my life, but I’ve managed to survive and I’ve been told that my spirit has endured. I credit much of that to my parents, especially my dear departed mother who proudly proclaimed herself to be a “cock-eyed optimist” (and she did indeed find the silver lining even in my darkest cloud). She was taken too soon by a tragic car accident in 1998, but not before giving to me every dimension of devotion one could ever ask of another.

But beyond my parental blessing, I credit my Wellesley education as positive preparation for everything that followed, both foreseen and unforeseen and so I will continue to remember my years there as fully lived and well spent.

P.S. - Always wear a helmet! (but not a yellow one)
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Family: Husband Tom Durnan (a little older, a lot greyer :>), son Harry, 35 in September, daughter Lila (Class of 2005), 32 in August. Harry is a computer guy, got married to Debbie 2 years ago and lives outside Houston, Texas, working for an oil/gas related company; they have a bullmastiff. Lila went back to school to get a BS in Nursing from Curry College and is an RN; she has an apartment with a high school friend about a half hour away. Both my kids left home/got their own places at 30! Both are very good people and we’re very proud of them! Tom was laid off from Rounder Records awhile back (which moved South later), worked temporarily for the post office, and has worked the past few years overnight at Whole Foods (we get a discount :>). Visit planned for me to see Dad in Florida, as he turns 92.

Events: Outlined our recent high points in Wellesley magazine class notes. Tom and I took a cruise this past fall, a 13-day repositioning cruise from Boston, around various islands, ending up in Florida, where we visited friends and my Dad for several days. And then I spent months getting caught up on my work again! We are signed up for another one in the future, with members of his family, on one of the new fancy ships. This past summer, one of Tom’s brothers passed away very suddenly, after a successful battle (or so we thought) with cancer (which is why we decided we should take a long-overdue vacation). My brother in California followed my lead and got a hip replacement, and then got a very scary infection afterwards, but is doing okay now (phew). Realize how lucky I was that everything went well, with my new knee and then hip. Everyone is getting older (and older) and I realize how fortunate we have been, when I see the trials friends are going through in the ‘sandwich generation’ torn between elder care and grandchild joy/helping their children. And also realizing the status quo is a very fragile thing, and that life is change. Sigh.

Next 5 years?: Tom and I are both looking forward to retirement, but still hazy on what form that will take and where we’ll be living. Hoping for a future son-in-law and grandkids, but taking nothing for granted!
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**Describe your family:** I have been married to my husband Jeff for 33 years and together we have two children: a daughter named Maria who is a nurse and a son named Jacob who works for a rapidly growing local production brewery.

**What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years?**  
Many years ago we started white water rafting as a family. We still do this for at least a week practically every year and it is the highlight of our summer. Spending time together like this without any electronic devices is fabulous! This is a picture of one of our river camps taken a few years ago.

This past year as I turned 60, I trained for and ran the Nike Women’s Half Marathon in San Francisco in October. I did this together with two of my three sisters, my daughter and my niece as well as one of my brother-in-laws. We did this as part of the Leukemia Lymphoma’s Team In Training program to raise money for research of blood cancers – it was a great experience.

**What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.?** I expect to continue working at the WCA for the next five years. I have some major goals to accomplish and as I realized how close I am getting to retirement age I figured I better get them finished!
Dear Class of 1975,

I’ve been retired for seven years. What a difference. I always thought that I wouldn’t make it but it has truly been a journey. Am I bored, not at all. I’m still single and have no children. Thanks to other friends that have retired as well, sometimes we can’t figure out how we had time to work. Seems like other endeavors such as helping others that need help and helping ourselves have taken over. I try to get a little travel in occasionally.

I’ve had MS (multiple sclerosis) for 22 years and counting. I still wake up every day and walk every day. I have been fortunate enough to have mobility without assistance. That being said, spinal stenosis, cervical stenosis, herniated discs and all the rest of the diseases of the aging have caused me to have two spinal surgeries and to be scheduled for the third on March 4th. This has been the big game changer but I plan to put this to rest for the last time (I hope).

This has been a difficult past year, losing two very good friends to cancer. Sometimes we find strength in other’s battles. One friend, Debbie Powell ’76, had a very courageous struggle. In the end she didn’t lose to cancer, she survived by making her life very meaningful. She put old friends in touch with each other again. For that I am grateful. This is the true meaning of reunion. I pray that ours becomes the most reuniting experience that we’ve had in 40 years. Have fun. Wish I could be there.

Well Wishes,

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We still live in Alabama, but also spend time in Brevard, North Carolina. In the last five
years we have done as much traveling as our work schedules allowed, and since we
retired last year we plan on traveling for longer periods of time. I am considering this
first year of retirement my “Gap Year” and have not become over-committed. Now I
think I’m ready to take on some new activities and volunteer work.
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Last five years:  

- Created large-scale metal sculpture (learned to weld and to conquer fear of industrial equipment and working with fire).  
- Headed small environmental non-profit organization to address local ecological and land preservation issues; volunteered as “citizen scientist” monitoring endangered plants under Chicago Botanic Garden program; worked on restoration of the five-acre woodland surrounding our home.  
- Attended lifelong learning classes, primarily literature (literature by/about women; Harlem Renaissance; comparative science fiction), art history and documentary film.  
- Served on Village Plan Commission and Caucus committees.  
- Attended theater, art gallery and museum exhibits with adventurous husband.  
- Volunteered with Chicago Wellesley Club as co-representative for the 70s Decade group.  
- Served as Secretary and Patron Director of international figurative sculpture group.  
- Served on Advisory Board of DePaul University College of Law Health Law Institute.  

Next five years:  I hope for more of the same activities, plus international travel. On a serious note, I sense I may be dealing with significant parent health issues. I am fortunate that until very recently my parents have been healthy and living independently with their spouses.
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  - New chapter: Chef, superyachts.
  - Old chapters: Organizational Psychologist working in management development in UC system; after that, writer/editor for non-profits.

Describe your family:

3 great Adams men:

--thoughtful, fun, handsome husband who captains, races and designs superyachts professionally and consults in the marine industry

--2 sons who light my life – Jackson, recent UC Berkeley grad in Biology + Philosophy, works at Stanford’s Cardiovascular Research Institute doing stem cell research, and Sturdy, fantastic jazz pianist currently studying economics and music composition at The University of Oxford, will return to Columbia Univ. to graduate next year.

What are some memorable events, accomplishments, activities of last five years?

The most fascinating shift has been that, as my sons left for college, I left too! Highly recommend – it’s a great way to go. I dove head first into the culinary world, taking courses in NYC and Europe, and joined my husband aboard superyachts he captains in races around the world. I love the heart, creativity, autonomy and focus involved in chef-ing, and have reached a comfortable stage where I can play with it. Have explored fantastic places in the world with my husband in this “after-childrearing” stage, as well as becoming immersed in the new and thrilling territory of international racing crews, breathtaking ports and fascinating cultures/people. Home base is still the house we built in Mill Valley, California, and where we raised our family, though our 6’2” sons make excellent crew and often join on international regattas. Mostly, I treasure the closeness of our family, and the hearts of our sons. My wonderful mother continues to warm the lives she touches, and is a constant source of joy to me.
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This is the first time I have contributed to the Class of 1975 Record Book, so here goes:

I am fortunate to have been married for many years (35 in November!) to a great guy, a lawyer in Boston. We have one son, Parker, who is 30, and just finishing up his MBA at Babson College. He grew up in the city, and can’t wait to leave Boston/Wellesley and get back to New York, where he is currently looking for a job after graduation. I also have a stepdaughter, who recently married at age 38, and is living in Bozeman, Montana.

We are fortunate to also have a house in Newport, Rhode Island, where I spend as much time as possible (especially in the summer!). I play a lot of tennis and golf, but don’t get on the water as often as I would like....

For the better part of the last 40 years, I have worked in the investment business. After Wellesley, I completed my MBA in Finance at Boston University (while working). I spent many years at a large Boston bank (Bank Boston), mainly on the institutional side of the business, then made the switch to personal money management, spending 10 years at small firms, and in 2013 returned to a big bank, BNY Mellon, where I am a Senior Director in Wealth Management. Fortunately, I still love what I do, especially working with my clients!

I serve on a few Boards, but mostly love my work with the Huntington Theatre in Boston. Working with investment people, and married to a lawyer, it’s been really fun to mix with so many creative types! I have also a particular interest in historic preservation, and have been working for the Mass General Hospital Cancer Center for many years.

By the next reunion, I hopefully will be spending more time in a warmer climate (we have 70 inches of snow in Boston right now...!) where I can spend more time outdoors...and hopefully travel some... Like so many others, we will eventually head to Florida!

One regret is not having kept in touch with as many people from Wellesley as I would like...although I had been playing bridge regularly with Gail (Ilse) Ebling,( just like in college) until she recently left Boston! So, if we haven’t been in touch recently, please call or write!!
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The “fam:” past, present and future -

My husband, Bill, is a cardiologist at NYU Langone Medical Center. Don’t tell him that I said this, but he is a wonderful physician and outstanding teacher who has been a role model for students, residents and fellows for 30 years. Our older daughter, Emily, just returned to New York from Boston. She trained in internal medicine at the Brigham and Women’s Hospital and is now a fellow in cardiology at Columbia. When one child returned to New York, the other left. Alissa, our younger daughter, is a freshman at Dartmouth. While most departures for college are bittersweet, hers was a true milestone. Alissa has struggled mightily with an eating disorder, which lurked in the background throughout what seemed on the surface to be charmed middle and high school years and delayed her starting college. Painful as the process has been for her personally and for us as a family, it has made us all very aware of how much there is to treasure in every moment, and how much the journey, and not the destination, defines who we are.

As for me, it is hard to believe that it has been six years since I left NYU School of Medicine to join the founding team here at the Hofstra North Shore-LIJ School of Medicine. And what an exciting adventure and challenge it has been! Bill and the girls had always asked how I was going to use my MBA (Emily, Alissa and I graduated from college, middle school and business school, respectively, in 2007). I didn’t know the answer then, but knew it by 2008, when the team assembled to form the new school. We will graduate our first class this year, and have designed and (continually work to improve) an innovative educational program that has broken the mold used by medical schools in the past. Having the freedom to start something new and cultivate it from the root system upward is a true joy. Let’s hear it for that, for all of us, no matter how we plan to spend the next decade of our lives!
The oddest part of writing this post is having to focus on the fact that 40 years have passed since we all graduated from Wellesley. My knees and various other joints might beg to differ, but the rest of me feels a good deal younger than all those years would suggest. I have no plans to retire and, in fact, would say that I’m still on an upward trajectory.

Some weeks, when I have lurched from meeting to meeting—with the President of a bank, with a Senator or Congressional Representative, with the head of a foundation or a federal agency and, maybe, with a group of low-income people, I worry that I’ve turned into Zelig. But for the most part I seem to be living a life that is true to my own values. Part of what I’ve discovered is that I do not want to live my life in the mainstream of anything. My preference is to stand at the intersections -- in the traffic of ideas and people, where multiple streams cross. For me, it's the most interesting place – and it makes me happy.

So, how does all that translate?

Along with my long-time colleagues, I’ve built Boston Community Capital, the organization I lead, into a values-based, mission-driven $1,000,000,000+ organization that has both for-profit and not-for-profit arms. We use “Wall Street” tools to solve “Main Street” challenges – foreclosure relief, debt financing, venture funds that produce social as well as financial returns, renewable energy and conservation initiatives. And we help build healthy communities where low-income people live and work. Along the way, through lots of speaking engagements, op-eds and press coverage, we’ve also been able to influence the national conversation around housing, foreclosure relief and economic development.

Service to the LGBT community in our pursuit of full equality has been a wonderful piece of my life’s work, and I also have an active volunteer, political and civic leadership life in the larger community. Fortunately, it’s all aimed at the same goal -- helping to create the world we want – so it’s pretty much a seamless web. I can't even imagine what retirement might look like. It would require that I give up too much of what I enjoy.

In the last year or so, I was named to the Boston Business Journal’s “Power 50” list of the most influential leaders and change makers in Boston, as well as one of the Top 100 LGBT
Business Leaders worldwide by *Financial Times* and *Outstanding*. I was also privileged to receive the Susan B. Love award from Fenway Health for promoting women’s health through economic development. And Boston Community Capital was recognized as one of the Top 100 Women-led Businesses in Massachusetts. The White House weighed in, too, naming me a “Champion of Change” for our work helping non-profit organizations and affordable housing residents access solar power. I am grateful for these honors and awards, but mostly I find myself focused on the next round of challenges.

As I write, another Boston snowstorm rages outside. I am grateful to be ensconced in my wonderful Brookline home, to be part of a community of life-long friends – what Betty Friedan called an extended family of choice -- and to be safe and warm and dry. I continue to sea kayak and canoe, walk and bike – albeit with a bit less confidence in my physical ability to meet any challenge. Travel also continues to be a real interest – 50 countries and counting, most recently Ethiopia – as does exploring other cultures through their cuisines.

I would say that the thing I’m most struck by, as I look back over 40 years, is the distance we have all come and how unexpected it’s all been. None of it was imaginable at graduation; certainly none of it seemed preordained. I wouldn’t give up any of the experiences I’ve had, the relationships I’ve been in, or the knowledge and skill sets that I’ve developed. But what would really make me happy is another 60 years!
In the past five years I had the major life experiences of marrying off my only child, sitting by my father’s deathbed, and buying my first property, a 2 family house in historic, downtown Salem, MA. At times, I’ve been impressed with my own strength and calm under pressure and all that I managed to provide, pay for and achieve on my own.

This year marks my 30th year of employment in the Mayor’s Office at Boston City Hall; the past 20 years in the Office of Constituent Engagement. With the variety of modes available now for citizens to contact the Mayor including telephone, snail mail, email, the Citizens Connect app, and Bold Chat, there is never a dull moment. Especially in times of crisis like the Boston Marathon Bombings and right now with the historic snow fall of 8 feet in the past 3 weeks. I do look forward to retiring in three years and dream of spending my time traveling in Europe, developing my artistic and spiritual abilities, and dancing and socializing.

The photo I’m including was taken in November of 2014 when my cousin Carmen from Salerno, Italy made a day trip to Boston while he was on business in New York City. Pictured along with me and Carmen are my brothers, my daughter and my mom who put on a day long feast. Keeping a relationship up with my cousins in Southern Italy has been the best use of the Italian language skills honed at Wellesley.
THEN (1975)...
- Free to sail, but
- Lost at sea

IN BETWEEN...
- Adjusted to Type 1 Diabetes... an unwelcome diagnosis 4 months out of college
- Married... happily for 36 years (Peter Clark)
- Got an MBA... business seemed like a good idea at the time
- Became a Westerner... it’s hard to leave San Francisco
- Parented one absolutely fabulous daughter (Maisie)
- Worked entirely too much... but that did make for a successful business career
- Lost track of old friends, but eventually reconnected with a few

NOW...
- Free to spend 3-5 months each year in the Idaho mountains
- Pleased to see the woman my daughter is becoming
- Contented with marriage & board work
- Proud of the life I crafted, however serendipitously
- Curious as always to learn new things every day
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The past five years have been full of both ups and downs. 2011 was a year filled with celebrations. My oldest son, Christopher, was married; I received a Master of Liberal Studies degree from Skidmore College; my new daughter-in-law graduated from law school; and my youngest, Joy, graduated from Wellesley. Later that year, I returned to archival work as Librarian and Archivist at the South Street Seaport Museum in lower Manhattan. The death of my mother-in-law in late 2012 followed by the elimination of that position due to consequences of Hurricane Sandy was tempered wonderfully by the birth of my first grandchild, Madison Elizabeth, in December 2013. In 2014, I became the Archivist of the Bryant Library in Roslyn, NY. So far, 2015 has been a good to us, and we are excitedly anticipating the birth of our second grandchild later this year.

My family – my husband of 39 years, Lance; children Christopher, Jonathan, and Joy; daughter-in-law Karina; and granddaughter, Madison – continues to be the center of my life. Between family, work and being president of Wellesley-on-Long Island, my life is full.

I’m looking forward to the coming years. My job is forcing me to become more technologically savvy as I attempt to bring my repository into the 21st century. My husband and I hope to travel, finally seeing some of the places our children have already visited. Most of all, I’m excited about being a grandma – and maybe seeing Madison and any other future granddaughters become Wellesley women!
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Family: husband Brian, professor of physics at Hamilton College; son Timothy & his wife Marsha (both working at Colgate, 20 miles away); son Charles & his wife Jes (leaving Chicago this summer after Charles receives his PhD in physics from Northwestern); daughter Nicola, class of 2010 (finishing MFA in Shakespeare and Performance at Mary Baldwin); golden retriever Eowyn; black lab Dora; cat Willow; Icelandic pony Mósa.

Since 2010: Brian and I continue working at Hamilton College, and do lots of singing (three rehearsals a week, for church choir, a small ensemble, and a big chorus—plus occasional shape-note singings), and, unexpectedly, dancing—English Country Dancing with Timothy & Marsha (& her sister Jenny) at an annual Jane Austen Ball, performances of Nutcracker the last couple of Christmases, and singing and dancing in Gilbert and Sullivan (Sorcerer 2010, Patience 2012).

We’ve started raising guide dog puppies; we got black lab Ronin in 2011, and after he left to become a guide dog in 2012, we took in German Shepherd Kimiko. A few months later we got black lab Dora to raise for Freedom Guide Dogs’ breeding program. In 2013 Kimi went to Japan to be a guide dog, and this fall Dora had her first litter for the program.

We have regular family reunions, with my father (91) and most of his descendants—in Clinton in summer 2010, in Indiana at my brother’s in 2012, in Staunton VA in 2014, besides gatherings at Thanksgiving and Christmas most years (we enjoy the Amtrak roomette to Chicago). We went to Boston many times to see Nicola, who worked there living with two Wellesley friends for two years between Wellesley and graduate school; we went to her Boston Harmony and post-European-tour Northern Harmony concerts; one trip, memorably, was during the 12/26/10 Boston snowstorm. We took a lovely vacation in Maine in 2011, with Timothy, Marsha, and Nicola—two days in Bar Harbor and then several more working our way back down the coast seeing lighthouses—Bass Harbor Head Light on Mount Desert, Rockland, the gorgeous one at Pemaquid Point, Portland Head—and eating fabulous food. Once Nicola moved to Virginia, we’ve made several trips to see her in many Shakespeare plays. In 2013 I visited Chincoteague on what happened to be the day of fall roundup, so I got to see the ponies up close (I took lots of photos!).

Last spring Brian and I went to England, just the two of us. We’ve always loved exploring England with our children, but it was unexpectedly fun to be on our own. We spent a week in London, visiting museums, historic/literary sites (Shakespeare, Aaronovitch), and seeing theatre (Knight of the Burning Pestle, Matilda, War Horse, Blithe Spirit, and a Strauss opera), and a week with family in a village near the Norfolk coast—we had great walks and pub lunches along the north coast of Norfolk, explored the ruins of Walsingham Priory, took the miniature railway out to Wells-next-the-sea, visited Blickling Hall and Holkham Hall, both with beautiful gardens, visited Norwich, where I lived when I was 16, and Grimsby, where Brian grew up.

I was involved in Hamilton’s bicentennial (as the archivist, I provided lots of content and images for the new history and other publications) and in our church’s sesquicentennial (I wrote a verse version of the church’s history), both in 2012. I led a small church group on climate change which in 2013 transmogrified into a community group for sustainability and resilience (in the Transition Town network now). In 2013 we had solar panels installed on our house, and in September 2014 I and our local group joined the People’s Climate March in NYC. I’m also still on our town Democratic committee, and I was just elected to the vestry of our Episcopal church.

For the next 5 years (and beyond), I expect to continue as college archivist (retire in 2021?), sing, raise dogs, visit family, and work on political and social issues around climate change.
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What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years? 35th Wedding Anniversary in 2013, President of the American Society for Reproductive Medicine, VP of Health System in PA

What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.? continue working in women’s health, increase time commitment for activism in advocacy issues for women, member of National Council for patient safety in women’s health

* Although I was at Wellesley for only 2 years, the outstanding foundation in the sciences that I received there allowed me to enter medical school at Johns Hopkins early, and my Wellesley education remains invaluable to this day! Whenever I see medical school candidates or residency applicants with a Wellesley degree, I know those young women will be very successful leaders in medicine and healthcare for the future of our country.
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• Describe your family: My husband, Richard Kjeldgaard, and I have been married since we finished law school together at GWU in 1978. We now have an empty nest, though the 2014-2015 year brought the short-term blessing of all three adult children living locally. Our oldest son, Peter, has worked in the DC area since graduating from Yale in 2009. He will be married in July, after which he hopes to be pursuing an MBA in a different locale. Our second son, John, graduated from Fairfield and left for Madagascar as a Peace Corps Volunteer shortly before our last reunion, staying on post-service to work in the textile industry. In 2014 he returned stateside with his Malagasy fiancée, married in October and is studying in the Business School at the University of Maryland. Our daughter, Anne, stayed local for college, graduating from Georgetown School of Foreign Service in 2013. She has been teaching and, as of June 2015, will be settled into Boston to pursue a master’s degree in elementary education at Lesley.
• What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years? Certainly for our family the highlight was our reunion in 2011 when we all traveled to Madagascar to visit John, followed by a week in Cape Town. A wonderful addition to my life in that time has been joining a book group. We have an eclectic group of women – all ages, occupations, and personalities – with an eclectic reading list. It has been enriching on many levels!
• What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.? Good question!!! TBD, but I envision retiring, settling in smaller, calmer (and less expensive) environs, hopefully traveling lots, and finding a good mix of low key work, volunteer and hobby activities. I hope too by the next reunion to be reporting grandchildren!
I am a single parent with one child, Drew. He received his Bachelor’s degree from Hampshire College and is presently enrolled at the American Film Institute (AFI) in California, and expected to complete his MFA in June of this year.

A resident of Atlanta, Georgia, I moved here in 1989, and have lived and practiced law in the suburban town of Marietta for more than 25 years. As a sole practitioner, I’ve worked on more divorces than I can remember. As a family lawyer, I worked on divorce, custody, paternity, child support and criminal cases. As a litigator, I’ve tried many, many cases.

At the end of 2012, I closed my office and am presently not practicing law. I am taking courses in an effort to brush up on technology, with the intent of handling estate cases – estate planning, wills, trusts, etc., some time in the near future.

Am also contemplating whether to continue on here in Georgia, or to return to Portland, Maine, where my mother, sisters, brother and other assorted family members live.
LET ME TELL YOU…

ABOUT THE PEOPLE I LOVE
FIRST AND OUTMOST MUST BRAG ABOUT BEING A GRANDMA OF A LOVELY 14 MONTH OLD GIRL NAMED MARIANNA DEL CARMEN! BORN TO MY OLDEST DAUGHTER GIANNINA WHO HAS INTERRUPTED HER PERSONAL TRAINNING JOB TO CARE FOR HER. CECILIANA, MY SECOND, IS A 4TH YEAR RESIDENT IN UROLOGY WITH SUPERB SURGICAL DEXTERITY. NOWADAYS, YOU CAN FIND CAMILA, MY THIRD, EMBRACING A PIG, RESCUING DOGS, NEUTERING AND SPAYING SMALL ANIMALS AT UF VETERINARY SCHOOL AS A 3RD YEAR STUDENT. SOO…RICHARD & I ARE EMPTY NESTERS AFTER 37 YEARS OF MARRIAGE!! (PLEASE DON’T YAWN) HE IS SEMI-RETIRED AND LONGING TO REACH 66 FOR FULL RETIREMENT.

ABOUT MY ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
LOVINGLY CONTINUE PRACTICING AT OUR AMBULATORY FAMILY PRACTICE CENTER IN SPITE OF ALL THE CHALLENGES CONFRONTING MEDICINE. PRESIDED THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF THE UPR SCHOOL OF MEDICINE. INDUCTED IN AOA 2013. LONGSTANDING MEMBER OF A PHARMACY & THERAPEUTICS COMMITTEE WHICH KEEPS ME ABREAST ON NEW MEDICINES AND TREATMENTS.

WHAT DO I DO FOR FUN:
PLAY WITH MARIANNA, TAKE LONG WALKS, TRAVEL AND KEEP UP WITH MY ITALIANO. CIAO!

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My husband, Rod Waywell, is engaged in residential real estate and working as an owner’s rep on a major architectural renovation.

My son Brad Waywell is an art dealer in New York City, and will be marrying Maria Bueno on 7/11/15. Maria is also an art dealer.

My son Tyler Waywell works for an arts center, Mana Contemporary, in Jersey City. He lives in New York.

About 7 1/2 years ago, I left the Guggenheim Museum, where is spent 29 years as a curator, and eventually as the director of the New York museum, to join Sotheby’s as an executive vice president and chairman. It has been very exciting to be at the center of the robust contemporary art market, and I really enjoy my work. I travel a lot for this position, and work closely with private collectors, galleries, and museums throughout the U.S., and abroad. I plan to continue working for as long as I can. When I’m not working, I love to cook, to read, and to swim.
Wellesley Class of 1975 Record Book Submission

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Describe your family: I am married to John Eckert. I had a fairy godmother, my Aunt Eileen, who arranged a blind date in 1996. John is a wonderful, intelligent, sweet man and through our marriage, I have a stepdaughter Jennifer and a granddaughter Lilliana. Lilliana could be the Class of 2034 but I have been disappointed before by my nieces so I will allow as I have before, for Lilliana to make up her own mind.

Last 5 Years Activities: Since 2006, I have been living in Des Moines, Iowa because of a career relocation to a Marketing position at Principal Financial Group, a leader in retirement plans. This relocation has made especially valuable my connection to Wellesley. I am Chair of the National Committee of Friends of Art of the Davis Museum, the Communications Co-Chair of the Wellesley Business Leaders Council, and our Class Annual Giving and Planned Giving Chair. Travel has been wonderful, John and I are about to leave for a Friends of Art Patrons’ Trip to Dubai. And John and I also have a summer home in Chautauqua, N.Y... There we can connect with our friends Dede Trefts and Dan McEvoy.

Next 5 Years: By the time of our next reunion, I will be retired still thinking about when that will be. We know we will relocate from Iowa but at this point, John and I are not sure where we will settle. When I was at Wellesley, I took for granted the liberal arts method of thinking and the talent of my classmates. I look forward in retirement to returning to these types of conversations.
Over the past five years, I have been fortunate to experience many memorable personal and professional events. The personal include:

- Sharing meaningful events with relatives spanning four generations, ex., parents Nate and Fran’s 65th wedding anniversary, parents’ 90th birthday parties, cousin Sid’s 65th birthday party, and ongoing celebrations of David’s 21st and my 60th birthdays, including at tops of mountains (Crystal, in the Cascade Range) and buildings (Sky City, Seattle Space Needle)
- Having joyful reunions with lifelong friends from preschool through college, including my Belgian “sister” Anne from a high school “world learning” program; and establishment of new friends through work
- Witnessing my son’s, niece’s and nephews’ transitions from high school to college, and watching their dreams come true in game design (David), veterinary medicine (Jackie), health administration (Dan), and multimedia journalism (Matt)
- Frequently travelling to parents, brother Mark’s family, and cousins in Sarasota, FL, and to David in Redmond, WA; and attending many stimulating cultural events in Manhattan with my sister Susan and lifelong friend Rachel
- Establishing a new home in Great Neck, NY

The professional include extensive work in: (1) educational programming for the twice-exceptional (2e) student (high-potential with learning challenges) and (2) curriculum/instruction in the psychology of art. (1) 2e: I co-founded a parents’ group Long Island-Twice-Exceptional Children’s Advocacy (LI-TECA).
- Then, I designed, founded, and directed The Achilles Project, a college-level program for the 2e student. Besides the academic and socio-emotional components for the students, it entails faculty-training through such venues as a seminar, conferences, and newsletter. Achilles won four major awards from the League for Innovation in the Community College, the SUNY/Cornell Institute of Community College Development (ICCD), NCC/SUNY, and Nassau BOCES.
- An outcome of Achilles was the implementation of differentiated instruction (DI) in 23 departments and 80 courses at NCC. An offshoot included establishing a committee that trains faculty re: teaching diverse student populations, managing behavioral issues, and teaching/counseling /programming supporting student success.
- I sponsored many NCC conferences, gave many presentations, and published many articles on 2e education. Some articles were incorporated into several states’ Board of Education guidelines on 2e education. Others appeared in publications targeting different audiences, such as the 2e Newsletter and Working Mother Magazine. I edited two bills for the NY State Assembly and Senate on teacher-training in gifted and 2e education.

(2) I designed and teach a course entitled The Psychology of Art. It studies the creation of and response to art from art historical, philosophical, psychological, anthropological, and biological perspectives. I also created instructional and ancillary materials, including PowerPoint presentations, an anthology called Castles in the Air, and a study guide.

In the next five years, personally, I look forward to traveling abroad with my son David to celebrate his college graduation, and to visiting my mom in Sarasota. Professionally, I plan to step up my teaching/research in the psychology of art. I have received a sabbatical award to write a textbook on this topic, and I plan to do lab research regarding neural substrates of visual preference for form.
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Family:
I live with my husband and 17 year old son and we are very close. My husband works full time while my son attends high school (last year) and torments me. My mother died since our last reunion which was very hard to process but my father is still alive and very self-sufficient at 91. I have two wonderful sisters though unfortunately they live in Toronto and Boston so I don’t see them nearly as often as I would like. We have grown closer over the years, which is a gift.
To me, the term family has a broader sense than just my immediate relatives. Maybe because I was single until I was 42, I developed a remarkable support system of friends and have been able to keep these relationships up through the 20 years of my marriage. This circle helped keep me afloat through some very difficult times. Now that we are entering the next phase of our lives with children out of the house and new work status, homes, towns etc we are gathering together to help each other through these changes.

Last Five Years:
The last five years have been marked by some very difficult experiences. I have suffered many losses: friends, family, career, and health. Many of these are with me every day. Close friends and family have died and I have suffered a major health crisis. Three and a half years ago I developed a mysterious illness which caused muscle atrophy, massive inflammation including severe arthritis in my knees, extreme fatigue and more. I was barely able to walk for months. Despite extensive testing no cause has ever been discovered. However, the disease is receding and with loads of physical therapy, medication and surgery I am 80% back to my prior level of stamina and function. I have tried very hard to build a new life and have succeeded in finding new challenges and pleasures. I partnered with a younger friend to purchase and redevelop a former factory in Brooklyn turning it into loft office space which gives me a new career and sense of accomplishment. I go to theatre more and enjoy it more when I do. To celebrate my 60th birthday I took our family to Turkey and had a life expanding trip. And I put a lot of effort into keeping up with my friends meeting one for lunch almost every week.

Next Five Years:
More of same. I hope there will be new horizons, new experiences, and continued closeness with family and friends.
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  Retired to free up time for domestic pursuits, i.e. running around after
  three lively grandchildren under 4 years old, with working parents all.
• Describe your family:
  Husband Rick of 40 years aka “Pops” (I am “Lolly”); daughter Katie, 35,
  married to Mark, children Juliet and William; daughter Megan, 32,
  married to Greg, child Claire; son John, 29, single.
• What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five
  years?
  We downsized from our home of 26 years, and moved a mile away, back
  to the house we had lived in for 9 years prior to that as early marrieds/
  young parents.

  We welcomed three grandchildren into our lives with great
  pleasure. They keep us very busy as they live quite nearby.

  I had a wonderful trip to London with two friends for the
  Queen’s Diamond Jubilee, including the Epsom Derby and a priceless
  view out our hotel window of the flotilla down the Thames.

• What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career,
  retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.?
  More of the same, I hope! It’s keeping us young. Well, sort of.

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Best known as Editor-in-Chief Emeritus and Founder of Deadline Hollywood, veteran journalist Nikki Finke is an authority on the business, politics and culture of the entertainment industry.

Her long and esteemed reporting and editing career has included positions around the world writing about national, political and international news with the most powerful and influential media outlets. As an Associated Press foreign correspondent, she was posted to the Moscow and then London bureaus. As a Newsweek correspondent in Washington DC, she covered politics, government, wars, social issues and occasionally the White House. She moved to Los Angeles in 1986 where she wrote her first Hollywood business stories as a correspondent for Newsweek and then as a staff writer for the Los Angeles Times. By 1994 she was West Coast Editor and Hollywood columnist for the New York Observer and then for New York Magazine.

In March 2006, she started DeadlineHollywoodDaily.com, the online version of her LA Weekly newspaper column. For the next three years the media alternated between glee and scorn for her many major scoops. Dow Jones’ Marketwatch called her the Hollywood "must-read." She became the most powerful journalist covering Hollywood, according to media organizations. New York Observer named her ‘Media Mensch Of The Year’.

In 2009, Nikki’s blog was purchased by a digital media company. She went from being her own boss to Deadline’s General Manager, Editor-In-Chief, and Founder. Nikki and the site’s new owner began to recruit stellar staff. At the same time, Nikki and Deadline became included on lists of top entertainment websites like Vanity Fair and Time magazines. Key decision-makers across many fields tracked Nikki’s Deadline several times a day as it became the authoritative source in the entertainment industry. TV shows like Entourage and 30 Rock and Newsroom talked about Finke and her website. Nikki has been featured in profiles on the front pages of The New York Times and Los Angeles Times as well as New York Magazine. She was the subject of a 10,000-word profile in The New Yorker. She has won every award bestowed for entertainment journalism.

Finke and Deadline ended their working relationship on December 5, 2013. She has written a forthcoming non-fiction book about the entertainment industry and now is penning fiction about Hollywood for online and novels.
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What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years?

Martine Fougeron is a fine art photographer living and working in New York whose work has been exhibited internationally and is held in major public and private collections. Her incisive images of life and culture in that city have made her a frequent contributor to The New Yorker, The New York Times Sunday Magazine, The Wall Street Journal Magazine and New York Magazine.

Fougeron was born in Paris and studied at LFNY, l’Institut d’Études Politiques de Paris, Wellesley College and the International Center of Photography. She has been living in New York since 1996 and working as a photographer since 2006 when she graduated from ICP’s General Studies program-- having turned to photography after a successful career as a Creative Director in the fragrance industry where she was the 'nose of the noses' of 20 world-class perfumers.

Fougeron's primary fine art photography project since 2005 has been the 'TeenTribe' series in which she offers an intimate portrait of the lives of her two adolescent sons and their group of friends. Fougeron has mounted solo shows in Los Angeles, New York and Philadelphia and her work has also been exhibited internationally in China, France, Italy, South Korea, and Switzerland. The work was recently exhibited at The Gallery at Hermès in NY in 2013 and is held in major private and public collections including the Museum of Fine Arts in Houston and the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Steidl will publish a book on Fougeron’s work from this series, Teen Tribe: A World with Two Sons, in the Fall/Winter 2014/2015. Fougeron is presently prolonging her project of a world with her two sons and exploring their twenties.

Fougeron also started a new long-term project 'Heart of The South Bronx: Trades' in 2011 soon after she moved her studio to The South Bronx. She is creating portraits of workers, interiors, machines, processes, and products of these diverse industries.

Fougeron is on the faculty of the International Center of Photography and has been a guest artist and teacher at Pratt Institute, New York University, CCNY and SVA.

What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.?:

I will never retire. As an artist, I will continue producing my personal work and exhibiting it in galleries and Museums. I will teach and mentor more, high School Students and Seniors as an artist-in-residence in order to give back to the community and create new vocations.
Wellesley College Class of 1975

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I am pleased to report that life is good and I am continuing to learn and pursue fun activities in my life. I am still singing with the local choir and, in the last several years, we have traveled to Rhodes, northern Italy (the Dolomites), to St. Petersburg and to Bratislava for international folk festivals. I am returning to belly dancing and yoga after a 4 months' hiatus due to a broken elbow (while trying to take a photo while ice skating!!) After participating in several personal development courses and seminars, my boyfriend and I started a course for trainers to give Butterfly Effect personal development seminars which help people make small changes in their thought processes that result in major changes in their lives. In order to coach, we first spend time on our own personal development. I am thrilled with the growth in my life, and the improvement in my personal relationships. I have come to appreciate that we really only have the present moment and must grab it with both hands and make the most of it while we can, and have learned to be thankful for and focus on the many good things in my life.

My children are moving towards independence, although two are still living at home. My oldest son has moved to an apartment with friends, and is still trying to find a direction in which to use his talents. My second son is investing in real estate and will make me a mother-in-law in October. My third son is a chef who is currently taking a patisserie course. (We are looking forward to him "practicing" at home!!) And my "baby" girl just finished the Army and is starting classes in therapeutic horseback riding and another in professional make-up. I am learning to let them live their own lives without interference, which has taken me a while to implement!

I have been with my boyfriend for 9 years and we are growing together, urging one another on in our various endeavors (including a direct sales company of amazing natural cosmetic products).

I am now working about half time in my intellectual property law firm, mainly handling patent application drafting and prosecution. While I love the work and the intellectual challenge, I have found that I do not enjoy the business side of running a law firm, and am doing my best to cut back and make more time for travel and the coaching.

I wish us all good health and strength to enjoy the good things in our lives and to cope with the rest.

Do consider coming to visit the Holyland! Our guest room is waiting and our Wellesley Club welcomes visitors!
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Since our 35th Reunion, I continue to count my blessings… the birth of four grandchildren:
Antonio & Isabella (April 2010) Parents: Rafael and Adriana and big sister Adriana Isabel
(December 2007)

Daniela (November 2010) and Santiago (December 2014) Parents: Mari and Carlos. I love being
a grandmother of 5 and treasure the moments spent with my grandchildren!

In 2010 I was blessed with my stepdaughter Paula’s decision to come from Spain and live with
Javier and me in Puerto Rico. Paula is graduating from high school in May and will shortly make
the important decision of where she will go to college, somewhere on the East Coast! She is an
outstanding and very talented student who makes us proud every day. Paula will be an asset
wherever she goes.

Raquel, Paula’s sister, decided to pursue a degree in Hospitality Management and also came to
the United States from Spain in 2012. She is currently attending Lynn University in Boca Raton,
Florida.

My daughter Mari and her husband Carlos together with Daniela and Santiago moved to Palo
Alto, CA last June. Carlos is doing a two year fellowship in sleep apnea at Stanford University.

Rafael, Adriana and their three children live in Puerto Rico. Rafael continues to work at USIC
and as he follows in his late father’s footsteps, he writes a wonderful and successful story of his
own.

In the last five years, Javier and I have made Puerto Rico our home and go to Spain several times
a year to visit his family. We love to travel and have plans to visit Australia, China and Europe in
the near future.

I keep counting my blessings, family being the most important of all! I celebrate these 40 years
and wish the best for the Class of 1975. May all of you be blessed with love, health and
happiness!
COUNTING my BLESSINGS

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HIGHLIGHTS OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS:

Family: My mother and mother in law passed away so now we’re orphans. Have mixed feelings, both of sadness and relief, the latter due to being released from eldercare duties and no more living from crisis to crisis. I’m sad because I feel that both women never lived up to their potential and did not have the opportunities that our generation of women have had. I’ve enjoyed watching the younger generation grow up. No one married particularly young in my or my husband’s families so the oldest nephew is in his mid-twenties and the youngest is still in high school. None are anywhere near having long term relationships, I think I’m happy about that for now since it would make me feel older than I am.

Career: While hitting 60 has meant lots of “how to retire” mailings and phone solicitations, Steve and I are still high energy both mentally and physically so we are not planning to leave the working world for a while. He is crazy busy at work as an attorney and U.S. bankruptcy trustee. I have been doing seasonal tax work at H&R Block for the last several years during which I’ve also managed some real estate properties and eldercare situations. Both the property and eldercare issues have been resolved so am now contemplating more year around work although I do wonder how crazy that is. I have some ideas so stay tuned for the 2020 record book.

Travel: My write up would not be complete without my favorite pastime. In 2012, we spent a week in Normandy France, visiting World War II sites we saw in Band of Brothers and Saving Private Ryan. It was an incredible trip, a must see for every generation. That trip ended in Paris (of course!), at the French Open, then the following year, for my 60th, we went to Wimbledon. Just need to get to Melbourne Australia some January for the Australian Open to complete my own Grand Slam, having been to the U.S. Open back when Boris Becker was the star. I’m just completing plans for a dream trip to Bali, Borneo, Malaysia, etc. with Lindblad Expeditions in September. We’ll see orangutan sanctuaries, other flora and fauna, then end in Singapore.
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Describe your family: Happily married for 40 years, my husband Rollie and I will take a vacation to celebrate on the Rhine River, immediately following the Wellesley reunion. We are expecting a 2nd grandchild, a little boy to join his big sister, sometime in mid June. The two are children of our oldest son and daughter-in-law, Carl and Lena Dabova Goss, who were married in St. Petersburg, Russia, in 2006. First grandchild—Elisabeta Carltonovna Dabova Goss—turned four years old last February. We’re happy that this family lives fairly close to us, in Baltimore MD, even though they travel back and forth quite a bit between Russia and the US. Both grand-children are and will be dual citizens.

Our other two sons—Blake and Emery—are still lively bachelors, living in Southern California and Chicago, respectively, and reveling in being single Millenials. They haven’t done the ‘boomerang’ thing, so Rol and I consider ourselves somewhat successful—not that we’d love to see them more often. We were all able to be together last Christmas, for the first time in several years. Grandma/Mom was happy!

What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years?
Re-learning my Spanish and guitar playing in order to sing with immigrant groups in Arlington. Being a grandma. Launching Fairfax County Community Chaplains with clergy colleagues in Northern Virginia, to respond locally with spiritual care in disaster situations. Being a grandma. Completing our home greenhouse and distributing veggie seedlings to the church neighborhood for Arlington Food Assistance Center. Being a grandma. Launching a church afterschool program for the spiritual nurture of elementary school children. Did I mention, being a grandma?

What do you expect to be doing for the next five years?:
Rol and I will be retired sometime in the next five years, so that we’ll have more time to bug our kids and be busy-body grandparents, travel as necessary.
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Family first:
Some of you may remember that Pierre and I got engaged at our 20th reunion and today we are proud parents of Eric, now 18. Eric will be entering his senior year of high school next year so we are in the middle of the college application maelstrom. Our immediate family also includes our faithful 12 year-old dog, Tessie, and a never-ending rotation of fish.

My parents live in their home, which is very close to ours. My Dad is almost 91 and my Mom is 89. They are doing very well for their ages but take up a reasonable amount of my time (and worry). Since my brother's divorce in 2013, I see him, my niece (19) and nephew (17) frequently; all of them live in NYC. Finally, I want to mention our American Field Service "son" from France, Sebastien, who lived with us for 1 year. He calls me Mom and we stay in close contact.

New activities for me:
- Running (ok, jogging – but I definitely didn’t see that coming!).
- Playing piano again and working off decades of rust.
- Being more involved in volunteer activities to increase my “connectedness”.
- Trying to see friends more often – especially Wellesley friends!

Memorable events since our last reunion:
- Eric enrolled at Middlesex School in Concord, MA and we are in the middle of the boarding school experience – which he loves!
- My husband, Pierre, changed jobs in October 2014 and is thriving at his new company, Gartner Group.
- I have become a “marketer” and have been learning a new set of skills.
- Trips to Europe, including Poland, Denmark and all of Germany.
- Finished building our summer rental house on Block Island, RI – also our get-away!

..And work:
I have been in the finance world focusing on business development since I graduated from Yale's School of Management. Conveniently, my jobs have fallen into approximately 10 year chunks.

- Yrs 1-10: Investment banking - corporate finance. Got caught up in 1980s’ over-the-top spending. Work was fascinating but the schedule was terrible. Failed marriage shook me up.
- Yrs 11-20: Purposely moved to commercial banking for the better lifestyle... despite global responsibilities which required phone calls at all hours of the night.
- Yrs 21-30: Pierre and I wanted to move to the suburbs so I joined GE Capital and began lending GE’s money instead of investors'/depositors’ money. At GE, I started to work from home – a major lifestyle improvement – and started lending to the healthcare industry.
- Yrs 31-date: Moved to a much smaller company, Healthcare Finance Group, focusing exclusively on the fascinating and ever changing healthcare sector. About 2 years ago, I moved into more of a marketing role, which has opened a whole new set of challenges.

Looking forward: Continue working and keep learning. Try new things and stay open to new possibilities! STAY CONNECTED TO ALL OF YOU!
In 1986 I underwent a heart/double lung transplant to correct a congenital problem (Eisenmengers’s syndrome). I recently heard that the prognosis for a heart transplant is usually about five years, so at 28 years, I’m doing fairly well.

Physically, I thrived at Wellesley. I am as proud that I fulfilled the phys-ed requirement as I am for graduating with Honors!

I am also proud that I was employed for 15 of the 28 years post transplant. Many transplants are never able to go to work.

1 Being immunosuppressed, they cannot enter the world of work without continually falling ill.
2 Some employers fear to hire them because they anticipate problems. (Yes, that’s illegal, but prove it!)
3 For some, Medicare via SSDI is the only health insurance they can get. And the transplant drugs they need to stay alive are very expensive! (I do not know if this is still true with the ACA.)

I do have disabilities from taking the antirejection drugs for nearly three decades (such as balance issues and a tremor.) However, as you see, though somewhat housebound, I am doing very well. I wish I knew what I have doing right, if only I could share it with other transplant recipients. Still, I have been very, very fortunate!

And I’m still here!
I can’t believe it’s been 40 years since we graduated! I still (usually) feel like that kid clowning around in front of the dorm with my Wellesley friends! Though I suppose we’re almost middle aged by current statistics. …it’s obvious from our photos we haven’t changed a bit…

Family: lovely husband, Owen (he was a prosecutor for most of his career, now works at Marsh & McLennan doing internal investigations and compliance); 3 great kids – all grown up and more or less “launched”: Jordy (screenwriter in LA), Zoe (marketing brand manager in NY, married) and Jacob (actor in NY). We are thrilled that two of our kids live in NY with their partners and we’re hoping our California kid sees the light and moves east soon too. Hope to celebrate my Dad’s 90th birthday with my brother and sister and all of our kids the weekend after our Wellesley reunion.

Career: Spent the first 25 years after law school in private practice. Left that to work for the last 10 years in the international non-profit arena. I spent a few years in the legal department at Save the Children, then did a 3-month stint as a volunteer in Uganda working with sex workers, and we recently moved back to NYC (after almost 30 years in CT) so I’m now working part-time with some really great international nonprofits in New York (Helen Keller International, Physicians for Human Rights) and still doing quite a bit of consulting work with Save the Children and anyone else who’ll hire me.

My favorite projects are ones that take me to exotic countries – will travel almost anywhere anyone wants to send me!

Recent accomplishments and dreams: Ran the New York Marathon last year with my 29 year old daughter – great fun and hope to do it faster next year. Trying to learn Arabic. Hope to see as much of the world as possible while I still have most of my faculties.
Nona Ruth Henderson

1975-1985
Extending the coursework and research I did at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution for my biology degree at Wellesley, I pursued graduate studies in fisheries management at the University of Washington. After marrying Dan Strombom, a fellow graduate student, in 1981, we spent several years in Japan as visiting researchers at Tokyo University of Fisheries and travelled extensively in Japan, Singapore, Sydney and New Zealand before returning to Seattle in 1983, hoping to make our permanent home there. A lousy job market nixed that plan. Within days of our son Tyler’s birth in January 1984, Dan took a job with the National Marine Fisheries Service in Long Beach, California and, after a time, I worked as a consultant on a feasibility study for a proposed central wholesale seafood market in Los Angeles.

1985-1995
Tailor-made faculty positions at Rutgers lured us to New Jersey in 1986. As a seafood marketing specialist, I frequently collaborated with Dan, an extension agent in Cape May County, to assist New Jersey’s seafood industry to developing new markets and transforming processing waste into marketable by-products. Just after our daughter Evelyn was born in 1990, we bought our first home in East Brunswick where we have lived for 25 years. Although busy with our children’s academic, athletic, music, drama and community service activities, I completed an MBA in marketing at night and changed jobs – twice! I managed an import/export company for a year before returning to Rutgers to write grants for a startup biomaterials research center.

1995-2005
The following decade, a failed business venture, protracted unemployment and logistically complicated efforts to support my mother as she struggled with metastasized kidney cancer in Texas presented new challenges. Then, in the wake of my mother’s passing and the midst of settling her estate, I was diagnosed with breast cancer. The year that followed was a blur of pre-op tests, surgeries, chemo and radiation therapies, more tests and weekly doctor visits. When the dust cleared, I was still here.

2005-2015
Both my children graduated – Tyler in engineering and Evelyn in biology - from Swarthmore College. Tyler works on large-scale construction projects in NYC; he and his wife Rosemma eagerly await the arrival of their first child in June. Evelyn lives in Philadelphia, works on a research project funded by the Swedish Academy of Sciences and plans to start doctoral studies in collective animal behavior in September. As empty-nesters, Dan and I enjoy ballroom dancing, gardening, theater and museums, reading and taking courses online. Last year, I studied human evolution and Italian with Wellesley faculty and am currently taking a cosmology course with a Nobel laureate! Through the Wellesley Club of Central NJ, I help out with an annual book sale that provides scholarships for young women from central New Jersey to attend Wellesley and, as treasurer and board member of my local watershed association, I help preserve open space and improve water quality in my community. When wanderlust welled up last spring, Evelyn and I explored family roots in Ireland and cave paintings in the Dordogne and Cantabria. A yen for wide-open spaces led to a road trip to Colorado, Wyoming and South Dakota in the fall and New Mexico in January. What’s next? A solo trip to Iceland in May and Alsace and Bavaria in October with Dan to celebrate our 34th anniversary.

Happy trails to you, until we meet again.... next June!
The past few years have been good to me, I have been extremely lucky. Two of my sons got married, and I have my first grandchild with another one due right before reunion. I had always thought that I would have a significant career, maybe run a company at some point. But having left the paid labor force to raise my family I realize I have everything I ever wanted. I know that I am fortunate to have been able to stay home with my sons, and fortunate to even have them. The older I get the more grateful I am, and now I try to give back.

I spend my time mostly on volunteer work, but do still play a lot of sports! I am involved with local government, chairing the Planning and Zoning committee of our Representative Town Meeting. I work with the ABC House, which is A Better Chance. We have eight minority high school girls living in a house here and attending Darien High School with the goal of a better education. I also work with the local Community Fund, and am a volunteer tax preparer for elderly and low income through AARP.

My middle son has started his own company, so I am his COO, helping with all the logistical side of the business. My oldest is moving to Tokyo to help develop solar projects and my youngest is also in a start up working to help establish credit ratings for poorer people in Africa. I am constantly amazed at the different ways the next generation is working to improve the world.

What will the next five years bring? More grandchildren and hopefully one more daughter in law! My husband of 37 years will most likely retire this year, and I'm not sure how things will change after that. I expect we will do more traveling and spending time with our growing family.

Wellesley friends at my 60th birthday party.
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• **Describe your family:** married nearly 31 years to Jackson Hershbell; he has 2 married adult children and between them we have 5 grandchildren, aged 9 to infant twins, who all live in San Francisco; we travel there twice/year to be with family and envy all of you who are much closer to your family! We also have 2 cats, a donkey, and used to have 2-12 guinea fowl… sadly the guinea fowl phase of our lives is over… “been there, done that” … but we miss them! We live on 7 beautiful acres outside Lexington, VA in a historic house and love the semi rural/small town life in our corner of the Shenandoah Valley/Blue Ridge Mountains.

• **What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years?** much of the last 5 years was spent surviving/coping with Jack’s nearly 4 year severe depression, which thankfully is finally in full remission. Despite this we were able to travel, and I have good memories of trips to Maine (including visits with Judy Phillips Robertson in Boothbay Harbor and Hilary Bassett in Portland), the North Carolina mountains, and the Yorkshire Dales, England. Now that Jack can enjoy life again we are proud to say we have watched all 62 episodes of Breaking Bad (can you believe it?)!

• **What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.?** The question of what’s next is on my mind and I find I’m starting to pay attention to articles about Social Security, retirement planning etc. I definitely see retirement on the horizon …but do not anticipate leaving my work at Randolph College until May, 2019 when I will be 66. I wonder what will follow that retirement … any more paid work? volunteer activities for sure, if not … travel that can happen outside the academic calendar (Maine in the fall and Kiawah Island in November sound nice, followed by something in early May!) I’ve become interested in the natural death movement/green burials etc. Is there an opportunity for me in this field? As Ranier Rilke says: “live the question.” I’m starting to do that…
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8) Retired Dance Critic, Mother of 3, Intermittent Stand-up Comic, Travelaholic.
9) I have three adult kids and a husband who I crossed paths with abroad in high school, and later dated in college. Plus I have wonderful, interesting friends and two amusing dogs to round things out.
10) I have watched my kids move along in their lives, two live with me, and one will be living on campus next year. When I have a free mind, I do stand-up comedy, cook tasty but easy meals, and dine out with friends. Plus I have done some wonderful traveling in the last five years. I just got back from a fascinating trip to Chile, Brazil and Argentina, and in recent years, rented apartments in Cannes where I made wonderful lasting friends, and upper Miami Beach. Where I rent in Miami Beach, it is like being abroad. People speak more Spanish than English, it’s a stone’s throw from the Bahamas and Cuba, and there are folks from South and Central America plus Europe and the rest of the globe. Besides, the plane ticket to Miami is relatively inexpensive from the East Coast, and you have the convenience of your own American bank, pharmacy, etc. Thumbs up!!
11) In the future, I would hope to be doing more of the same.
Wellesley Class of 1975 Record Book

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My family: My partner, Judy Hudson, and I have been together for 25+ years. We have two children: my son Jake, who is now 17 and waiting to hear from colleges on the east and west coasts, headed for law school or business school or some similar enterprise, and my daughter Sasha, who is 15 and facing problems that will make it hard for her to take a traditional educational path in her teenage years.

I practice law with a large firm in Michigan (with offices in LA, Chicago, Dallas, etc) and have, for 30 or more years, concentrated in aviation litigation. I love thinking in three dimensions! My partner Judy (now ten years a spouse; we married in Massachusetts, where I grew up, in 2004 when the law changed there) is also a lawyer, working for a group of construction clients in the oil and gas industry.

I have the privilege of chairing the Board of Visitors for Wayne State University Law School, and am active in their activities to make the school stronger each year. I served on the selection committee to find a new Dean, we now have a Wellesley alum in that position. That was fun! In 2013, the Federal Bar Association chapter here honored me with the Sixth Annual Cook-Friedman Civility Award, the first time it was given to a woman. I was floored to have been selected by the federal judges and practitioners who chose the recipient. My greatest pleasures at work often come when I am working with younger lawyers, helping them write more persuasively or prepare effective arguments. That teaching is very rewarding.

The last five years have been extremely hard on our family, and it feels like we’ve been through the wringer. We have each lost parents and I lost my only sibling. Our daughter has been diagnosed with bipolar disease, and we all struggle daily with the changing face of that illness played out in a teenager with learning disabilities. We try to remain upbeat, focusing on a few bright spots in and around the darkness: our son’s wonderful successes on stage in high school theatre and improv comedy, and in his high school ethics bowl competition, our daughter’s bravery when she would prefer to give up, and our own small victories over our impatience, frustration and ignorance.

We look forward to better days ahead.

March 2015
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Bureau Chief, Adolescent and Reproductive Health
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Memorable Events in the past 5 years

- Assisted in getting school-based health centers written into the Delaware Code
- Assisted in getting approval for reproductive health services in school-based health centers
- Served as one of the Hosts for the Annual Tony Williams (nationally known saxophonist) Scholarship Jazz Festivals featuring Gerald Veasley (bass player whose recordings include artists from Weather Report and Grover Washington, Jr.)

The next 5 years

- Continue working in adolescent health and serving as a radio personality at WVUD

Me and Gerald Veasley
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Family: Spouse – Bruce
Children: Katie, 33, Wellesley ’03
Evan, 31
Will, 29

All of our children are, thankfully, healthy, employed, and out of graduate school. Katie is a lawyer working for OMB in DC. Evan is working as the financial guy for a small start-up in NYC. And Will is a first year surgery resident at UPenn in Philadelphia. Our biggest news is that Evan just got engaged and he and Karla hope to marry in June, 2016.

Recent activities: My work as a paid management consultant has decreased significantly since our last reunion. The Great Recession didn’t help, but, if I were to be honest, my interest in implementing yet another computer system or re-organizing an operational function, has also diminished significantly. I am lucky in that Bruce continues to love his work, so I have been able to fill my time with fabulous trips and work on a variety of non-profit boards.

One of the highlights of the last few years was last spring when our children coincidently graduated from grad school at the same time. So, with a little help from photo shop, here is our celebration:

Plans for the next 5 years: My biggest plan for the next 5 years is to serve as the President of the Wellesley College Alumnae Association’s board, which is both a daunting and exhilarating prospect. Outside of spending a lot of time out at Wellesley, I hope to continue traveling and serving on the boards of several local non-profits. I’m also obviously looking forward to celebrating Evan’s wedding. And, in 2018, when I will be finishing my term as WCAA Board President, I will be able to be a part of both my mother’s (Katherine Barrett Murphy, ’53) and daughter’s (Katie Johnson, ’03) reunions!
Debra Knopman
Chemistry
Tower Court West

I have been living on Capitol Hill for the last 35 years, drawn first by a job with the late Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan and the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee. Since then, I have held other positions in government at the U.S. Geological Survey and the U.S. Department of the Interior, the latter as a Deputy Assistant Secretary for Water and Science during Clinton I. After a stint at a small think tank focused on crafting a bipartisan environmental policy reform agenda, I joined the non-profit RAND Corporation in 2001 where I’ve been ever since.

RAND has been just the right place for me to blend my long-standing passions for public policy and environmental science. I am currently working as a principal researcher in the areas of water resources, coastal protection, energy, and environmental policy. In the previous 10 years, I served as a Vice President at RAND and Director of RAND Justice, Infrastructure, and Environment. Separate from RAND, I am a member of the Board of Directors of the Henry Luce Foundation and a selector for the Luce Scholars Program.

I have two (need I say) wonderful children, Leah and David Weightman. Leah is a Bryn Mawr graduate, who spent three years teaching English in a Chinese middle school in Shenzhen, and is now working for a political communications firm in Washington, DC. David graduated from Occidental and is now living in Los Angeles in pursuit of a career as a screenwriter.

Life is good!

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Family:
Husband David (celebrating 40th anniversary this year); Son Chris and his wife Jessica, both Presbyterian pastors in the Jacksonville area, Florida; Son Fritz and his wife Laura, here in Dallas; daughter Katherine, living in Houston. Both married sons and their wives expecting babies at about the same time this fall! (Grandbabies ....can’t stop smiling!) David’s and my mothers, 91 and 87 – amazing women!

Memorable events of last five years:

Watching beloved sons, daughters-in-law and daughter grow as adults in faith, professions, and friendships, as they continue to be wonderful companions within the family.

Continuing life’s adventure with husband and partner David, including our executive recruiting business now in eighth year, as well as tennis and golf together.

Treasured friends, new and old.

With Wellesley classmate Martha Ratnoff Fleisher, our book club (Bibliophiles Bound) of very long standing, that also includes other alums and friends.

Regrets: Never enough time in a day (though really enjoy a demanding life!). Not keeping up regularly enough with some friends.

Next five years: God willing, with continued good health, staying physically active and fit – able to enjoy sports. Ever growing in Christ. Caring well for others. Living with joy and gratitude each day! And finally “Kondo-ing” my congested closets! (Familiar with Marie Kondo?!)
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I’ve been working as a project manager for new capital building projects for Partners HealthCare System, Inc., in Boston, MA, for the last 18 years. Most projects have been for new buildings at Mass General Hospital.

I am married to Fred Merrill, and we have one daughter, Corey Merrill, now 29. Fred is an Urban Planner and Principal at Sasaki Associates in Watertown, MA; Corey is the Head of School for the 4th grades at Arlington Elementary School in Lawrence, MA.

I have spent the past 5+ years completing an inpatient building at Mass General and a new freestanding data center building for Partners. I am now working on a new building, currently under construction, which will consolidate Partners administrative space from 14 locations around Boston, to one central location in East Somerville, MA.

We have traveled frequently in the last 5 years, to Provence, Iceland and Croatia, skied in Utah, Santa Fe and Taos, and most recently did a bareboat charter in the BVI. Other than that, we work too hard and are thinking more fondly of retirement!
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and Severance (Senior year)

Lawyer (private practice in medium-sized Long Island firm; commercial litigation)

I am married to Barry Rozen and have two step-children (28 year old twins: Mindy is a special education elementary school teacher in the NYC school system winning many awards and accolades and is married to Jonathan Zaidman, a CPA with Pricewaterhouse Coopers; David is a lawyer in government, first legislative counsel to a state senator and now with the NYS Department of Health and loving politics).

The most profound event in recent years is my mother’s death in July 2014 (age 95). Perhaps it comes even more to mind in preparing a page for the Record Book because she was a member of the Wellesley Class of 1939 and we attended her 70th Reunion together in 2009 and had been hoping to attend her 75th. Her loss, perhaps more than anything else, has helped put the priorities in my life into much more perspective.

My husband retired in 2012 and loves auditing State University of New York finance courses in the Business School and undergraduate Spanish courses, working on his tennis and enthusiastically living. I have – for the most part – been fulfilled with the career path I chose, and I couldn’t imagine not working. A retired friend said to me several years ago, “when you’re ready, you’ll know.”

So now I know. I have a target retirement date late this Fall. All of a sudden, life seems way too short. Perhaps getting married later in life (in 2001) contributes to that sense. I am looking forward to doing even more travel (we alternate between international destinations and U.S. National Parks), working on my own tennis, enrolling in a recreational culinary program, skiing and going to the beach mid-week, growing more than tomatoes and herbs in the vegetable garden, doing volunteer work involving dogs, maybe studying Hebrew . . . . . and the list goes on.
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Worklife: Since my mid-30’s, I’ve been part of the founding team for three businesses, including the first ever community owned department store in the Northeast: the Saranac Lake Community Store. Like many of the folks who live in the Adirondack Mountains, I don’t have just one job but, rather, I have been able to string together various related jobs which are an outgrowth of my background as an entrepreneur. First and foremost, I’m the Coordinator of Point Positive, Inc., an angel investor group that invests in start-up and early stage companies in the Adirondack Region. I’ve also recently taught “Entrepreneurship in the Adirondacks” at Clarkson University, and just visited Hamilton College for a few days as “Innovator in Residence.” And starting this Spring, I’ll be doing a Business Plan for a Public Purpose Energy Services Organization.

Volunteer Life: I love living in a small town in which you can actually see the impact you’re having on the Community. In addition to still serving as President of The Community Store, I’m President of the Tri-Lakes Humane Society and a Board Member of the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism. My family and I are also often fostering wayward Mama kitties and their babies. And yes, we have a dog and a houseful of cats of our own.

Family Life: My partner, Jennifer Scofield and I, have been together for over 11 years. Jen’s son, Taylor, is happily ensconced at SUNY IT (just turned SUNY Polytech) which he loves. He’s a sophomore and majoring in Computer Network Security which gives us hope that he’s going to find a good job when he graduates. Jennifer sings in three different groups, one of which she is now directing on an Interim Basis: the Champlain Valley Sweet Adelines (think women barbershop music.) For several years, she was also the Tenor for a Sweet Adelines Quartet: The Meter Maids. I’m a Sweet Adelines groupie and enjoy going to their Annual Regional Competition in Springfield, MA. I’ve also been to a couple of spectacular international competitions in Las Vegas and Hawaii.

Although I love the change of seasons, I must admit I live for Summer in the Adirondacks. We have a small Camp (think small cabin and dock) on one of the lakes here which is boat access only so you really feel like you’re getting away from it all once you’re there (it’s a 20 minute boat ride.) We’ve had a couple of Class Officer Retreats at the Camp which have been super fun and memorable. As I look to the next five years, I hope to be better about taking more time to be at the Camp and on the water, kayaking.
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Describe your family: My husband Fred Rausch; daughter Rachel

What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.? I’m planning to continue working as a Senior Associate General Counsel at the American Dental Association – maybe cut back to part-time in a few years. We’re also in the process of downsizing – selling our house in the burbs and moving into the city. I’m hoping to start traveling and volunteering more.
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FAMILY:  I have been married to my husband Tony for 35 years, and we have two grown sons, Theodore and Thornwell.

ACTIVITIES:  After getting an MBA from Columbia, I worked at CBS News until 1985. Since then I have been a volunteer. I am a long-time volunteer at The Society of Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, having served on the Board of The Society since 1988 and served as its president from 1995-1997. In addition, I am now a volunteer with Central Park Conservancy and currently serving as president of its Womens Committee.
• Name at Wellesley: Patricia A. Mayer
• Name now: Patricia A. Mayer (28-year hiatus where I was known as Patricia M. Doyle)
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• Describe your family: 2 daughters: Katherine, 28, management consultant for public/private enterprise, in D.C.; Alison, 25, comedy sketch writer and improv actor in Chicago; 2 cats; very close to extended family – mother, siblings, nieces and nephews, cousins; on speaking terms and somewhat close to ex-husband.

• What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years?
  - Divorce – end of 28 year+ marriage. Not my call. Devastating, but best thing that could have happened to me.
  - Intimations of mortality
    - Heart attack – probably due to stress: derailed marriage and public speaking.
    - Melanoma – early stage, excised
    - Perforated and resectioned colon – colonoscopy gone wrong
  - Completing SF Nike ½ marathon – “power walking” – as part of Team in Training.
  - Trip to northern India with both daughters, white water rafting on the upper Ganges.
  - Spiritual/psi quest, along varied lines of inquiry: qi gong, shamanism, Buddhism, telekinesis, energy work, Judeo-Christianity, reincarnation: in search of the real theory of everything.
  - Joined BNI – a networking group that is curing me of fear of public speaking (and providing referrals to new clients!)
  - Re-building my estate planning law practice, from scratch, to provide sustainability as well as personal fulfillment and intellectual challenge. Met and began working with Julia Wald, Wellesley, ’63. A sympatico relationship – something about Wellesley women.

• What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.?
  - Same career – I’m just getting my second wind! No plans for retirement.
  - Grow law practice, so in 15-20 years I might be able to retire.
  - More court appearances for will and trust contests. (Get better at public speaking)
  - Take art lessons.
  - Visiting daughters, extended family, and friends as much as possible.

• Travel bucket list: Southern India; St. Petersburg, Russia (Hermitage Museum, Institute of Biosensory Psychology); Alaska

“I was so much older then, I’m younger than that now.”

The Byrds
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At our last reunion, when we were discussing memory loss, I thought to myself, “Oh, great. That’s all I need—memory loss. I have to remember tons of information to pass the CPA exams!” (Someone once told me that if you forget where your keys are, that’s not memory loss. If you forget what a key is used for, then you have a problem.) I passed the exams and became a CPA in 2011 and got a Masters in Accounting and Taxation in 2012. Since then, I’ve made a career change from mergers and acquisitions to fiduciary accounting because I wanted to enter a field that would have more permanence and stability. This is my day job, while evenings and weekends I have my own SAT/ACT tutoring business. My real passion is teaching, and I love working with high school students.

Aside from this, I remain active in our high school’s Arts and Cultural Enrichment group and local Junior League. My husband Steve and I like to travel and we go to Europe every summer. This year, we’ll take a two-week cruise from Venice around the Mediterranean, having dinner with good friends in Istanbul along the way, and then visit Madrid for a few days on our way home. We’ll also go to St. John’s in Canada to hear our daughter Claudia sing the lead role of the Governess in Britten’s opera “The Turn of the Screw.” Claudia is pursuing a career in opera and recently won an encouragement award from the NYC region of the Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions. She completed a master’s degree at Yale Opera in May. If you go on her website (www.claudiarosenthal.com), you can find a video of her singing Alleluia from Mozart’s Exsultate Jubilate at the farewell concert for Yale’s outgoing president. Steve still loves teaching history at the University of Hartford and running The Kilim Company, our oriental rug store that has been in business for over 30 years on the Yale campus in New Haven, CT. He recently developed a new course on the History of Food and we have fun coming up with foods to make for his students each week to match the syllabus, from cave man Paleo diet to 1950’s convenience foods like the Tomato Soup cake.

Sadly, we lost my Dad at age 90 in 2011. He had his own CPA practice until he died. He inspired me to get my CPA, since I plan to work forever, too! My Mom is going strong and at 95 still drives and lives alone in our family home in New Hampshire. Though she’s outlived all of her old friends and all but one of her siblings, she’s in great spirits and continues to make new friends. Her neighbors are terrific, and as she puts it, “take turns fighting over who’s going to take out my trash barrels.”
**1975 Record Book Page**

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**Describe your family:** Son Andrew, 32, lives and works in Pittsburgh, PA with his significant other. Daughter Joanna, 30, recently married Jay Lampe and works in Chicago as a senior web designer. Their father John McKeon, my husband of twenty-eight years, passed away in 2008 from an insidious bone marrow cancer known as multiple myeloma.

**What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years?**

My daughter’s wedding last year was joyous, but still bittersweet. Held in a pavilion at Chicago’s Lincoln Park Zoo (yea!), the celebration included several tributes to Joanna’s dad, who was with us in spirit that day.

Yet life goes on, and I am making new memories with Jim, whom I have known for over thirty-five years. Last year we shared a villa in Tuscany with seven other couples before venturing on to Spain’s eastern coast to explore Roman ruins and Gaudi architecture. Travel is high on my bucket list, with other trips in recent years to the Rhineland, Sicily and Southern Italy.

In 2014 I had the privilege of spending a decade-birthday week (albeit one year late) on the Outer Banks of North Carolina with eight women I have known since grade school (including Class of 1975’s Eve Elgin). Such strong connections with friends, and with extended family, continue to enrich my life.

Since moving to a rural yet vibrant area of Maine 10 years ago, I have worked with several non-profits to promote local history-- mounting museum exhibits, both permanent and temporary, conducting archaeology discovery workshops, and participating in the occasional colonial era excavation. Any free time is spent hiking and exploring with my young and energetic Lab Roan.

**What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc?**

After becoming overly involved in too many local non-profits, I am starting to pare down that list to those that are most meaningful to me. More travel experiences are on the horizon, some of them to track down intriguing family history mysteries!
Belated holiday greetings from the land of LL Bean boots and retro flip phones, both of which, curiously, have become trendy again. It has been ten years now since I moved to midcoast Maine and I don’t regret it for a minute. The area’s small town feel is welcoming and supportive and we look after one another without overstepping personal boundaries. This is truly the right place for me.

Life in these parts is never boring, with a variety of activities available even during the long winters. Last year I joined the board of the Damariscotta River Association, five years after John served in the same capacity for this local land trust. In addition, I continue to be involved with the local Lions Club, Friends of Colonial Pemaquid, South Bristol Historical Society, our local hospital league, a women’s group, yoga class and the occasional colonial-era archaeological dig. Any free time is spent hiking and exploring with my young and energetic Lab Roan.

As you can see, the big news in 2014 for the McKeons was Joanna’s marriage to her beau of seven years, Jay Lampe, in “their” home town of Chicago. Held in a pavilion at the Lincoln Park Zoo (yep!), the celebration included several tributes to Joanna’s dad, who was very much there in spirit. Joanna enjoys her work in Chicago as a senior designer for PriceWaterhouseCoopers, while Jay works in the anti-fraud division of the Bank of Montreal.

Andrew, my diehard Steelers fan who lives in Pittsburgh, currently freelances in music and writing and is pursuing numerous avenues in the field of technical writing.

Life goes on and I am making new memories with Jim Danaher, whom I have known for over thirty-five years. Last year we shared a villa in Tuscany with seven other couples from Maine before venturing on to Spain’s eastern coast to explore Roman ruins and Gaudi architecture. This year I was lucky to spend a decade-birthday week in the Outer Banks of North Carolina with eight women I have known since grade school. Such strong connections with friends, and with family, continue to enrich my life. There’s a guest room here just waiting for your visit, so email (chmckeon@tidewater.net) or call (207-644-1120) any time. With much love, and wishing you good health and happiness in the new year—have a great 2015!

Allowing myself to be happy again after my husband’s premature death was a big step. ...Jim....
Kristin Mullaney  (“Kristy” in college)

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Five years ago….

I had the same address with the same great guy (David Ertz), and I told you about the recent events in my life. We had recently built our cabin in Vermont. Since then we have planted the garden and meadow there to create a haven of tranquility.

Five years ago I was anticipating cataract surgery. That was the first of two and then there were two other eye surgeries to remove scar tissue, and now I am back to being able to read the supertitles at the opera. My bionic part for this year is a new left hip, necessitated by two falls in the last year.

Five years ago I wrote about being shocked to learn that I had major problems with my heart and needed quadruple bypass surgery. It was a good time to have a new life, because, when the recession hit, there was no work for architects, and I had to re-invent myself. I went back to school to get a teaching certificate for middle- and high-school math. I wanted to put my energy into helping Philadelphia’s struggling schools and have an impact on some of its children. Unfortunately, Philadelphia’s schools began to struggle even more and hundreds of teachers were laid off. I have been fortunate, though, to have had four great long-term substitute assignments at some of the premier schools in the city, where I was able to teach some wonderful students and help them learn and be more comfortable with math. One of these days I will complete my culminating project and earn my second master’s degree.

Ten years ago we had two wonderful and sweet dogs, Harold and Vita. Now we have two much-smaller wonderful and sweet dogs, Spencer and Theo, who are father and son. Theo is the fuzzy one.

In the last ten years, we have traveled to France, Belgium, Spain, Umbria, Barcelona, Alaska, the Veneto, Florence, and Rome. We plan to go to Amsterdam this year, and we hope to continue to travel and explore.

We think the next ten years may bring a change in home – perhaps an apartment in Center City Philadelphia where we can walk to restaurants and cultural activities.

Enjoy the reunion! I will be in Nebraska, thinking of you.
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After 29 years on the law faculty at Georgetown University Law Center, I moved to Richmond to become Dean of the University of Richmond School of Law. These are, as they say, “interesting” times in legal education. Applications to law schools nationwide have declined 40% in the last five years, and there is a seemingly endless stream of articles about what a waste it is to get a legal education. But you can count me firmly in the camp of those who believe that law is the foundation of an ordered society and that the education of creative, thoughtful, and wise lawyers is critical to the maintenance of our democracy and to fulfilling the promise in the Preamble of the Constitution to “establish justice.”

My personal life is boring and wonderful. I have been married to the same man for the last 36 years. David and I met in law school where we were moot court partners. We have been partners ever since. We have two terrific sons. Bill, age 30, is married to one of his law school classmates, and is with a firm in Washington, D.C. Next year he will follow in his mother’s footsteps and clerk for Justice Kennedy (he was “Judge” Kennedy, when I clerked for him). Ben, age 27, spent two years in the Peace Corps and is now engaged to a fellow Peace Corps volunteer whom he met in Micronesia. He too is in D.C., working for an international education project at Georgetown University.

Life is good but exhausting. Being a law dean is a round the clock affair. It is also an uncertain business. These days, there seem to be lots of announcements about deans stepping down to “spend more time with their family” or whatever the current euphemism is for getting fired. But what the heck. I am at the stage where the prospect of being fired isn’t the least bit intimidating. And that is quite liberating.
Ellen Pichay at Wellesley and Now

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Family: Myself, husband, Stu Pickel, a psychiatrist, daughters Andrea, 22, Julia, 17, and step-daughter Rachel, 34.

The past five years have been busy with family and work. I am still in my occupational medicine consulting role with the Department of Labor Worker’s Compensation office in San Francisco. At 70, Stu is in full time practice. Rachel has returned to San Francisco after working internationally with the Global Fund and Unicef in various places from Geneva, Angola and South Africa; she is doing some immigration law while exploring new options. Andrea graduated from Carnegie Mellon last May and is happy at UC Berkeley in her mechanical engineering PhD program. Julia is finishing her senior year of high school and is excited to start at Barnard in the fall.

The next five years?? Still working! We have kids still in school, having started this late, plus we enjoy our work. I hope it will be healthier, and that the “empty nest” will leave a little more time for taking care of ourselves. Maybe some travel that has been on hold for a while. This year included bilateral cataract surgery for me, a shoulder injury for my husband, and continuing to help my father who will turn 89 this year, so trying to be realistic and enjoy the moment will be the goal.
Enid Rasenick

My name at Wellesley and my name now is Enid Rasenick. I was in Severance for the first 2 years and my third and last year I lived in Pomeroy. (I graduated in 1974) My address for the last 32 years is: 34 Hillcrest Ave. Ardsley, NY 10502. We live about 25 minutes north of NY, NY. My husband Tom Koloski (Harvard '74) and I have been happily married for 37 years. We have 2 grown daughters. Sarah is an attorney teaching at Rutgers Law School in Newark, NJ. She is married and has a son, Joseph Regina, who will be 19 months old at reunion. Our grandson has us believing that being grandparents is the best gig around.

Our younger daughter, Hilary, had a cookie business in Boston and is currently involved in many culinary projects in NY. She lives in Jersey City, NJ. She had a rare opportunity to live in Shanghai, China for 6 months last year. Tom and I knew immediately that we would visit her. We had a fabulous trip to Shanghai and Beijing and it certainly helped that she had learned enough Mandarin to guide us in our travels. The picture I have included is of Tom and me on the Great Wall of China.

I have been retired from the practice of law for about 10 years. I had briefly taught in middle school and high school after retiring—but couldn't find tenure track employment. The last 9 years I have been the Human Resources Manager at Wave Hill, a public garden overlooking the Hudson River in the Bronx. I enjoy using my employment law background in this beautiful setting for a non-profit organization. Both Tom and I are avid gardeners and I learn a lot from being surrounded by horticulturists all year round. (I am a hold out to using Latin names for plants, though.)

The last 5 years I spent quite a bit of time traveling back and forth to Chicago to visit and help care for my aging parents. Sadly, there is no reason for me to make those visits anymore. That has freed us to travel more and we intend to. Suggestions on wonderful trips are welcome. Tom is an architect and we like to visit cities. I have tried to reduce my full-time work to 4 days a week to leave one day for babysitting and/or other projects.

I expect I will fully retire within the next 3 to 5 years.

I find it hard to believe that 40 years has passed. I just watched the Saturday Night Live 40th reunion—and I think lots of people find it hard to believe so much time has gone by. I would love to reconnect during reunion with women I knew so long ago and spend time sharing happy memories and/or current stories with them.
Enid Rasenick
This is my first reunion ever, so some catching up needed. I regularly see a tight group of Wellesley friends - Linda Crowley, Mary Wood, Abby Franklin and Pam Jablons especially. Deborah Young and I see each other often as I went to Rome a few times a year for human rights work and for printing my art books… Such terrific people!

So here’s 40 years in speed form: Worked as a writer, then editor at Random House, Chanticleer Press, was editor-in-chief at Aperture (photography foundation) for years, then started my own publishing house, Umbrage Editions, which after 25 years, I just closed. Cofounded and directed for 11 years the Speak Truth to Power program at the RFK Center for Justice and Human Rights, producing a documentary with Alex Gibney, a play by Ariel Dorfman performed in 24 countries and 13 languages, publishing educational curriculums for high schools or colleges on human rights in 14 countries, and running six exhibitions touring on 5 continents. Was the founding editor-in chief of a Swiss-based magazine on NGOs called Global Journal. In 2011-2012 was Executive Director of Culture Project (a political theatre in downtown New York). Renovated the second oldest house on Shelter Island and then built my 8000 sq. foot “farm” house in Vermont, my sanctuary (I weirdly love construction: the pressure, the details!). Have authored or co-authored about 12 books, edited some 200 books, and curated about 40 exhibitions so far. Renovated houses in Shelter and my family’s places in Spring Lake and Vermont. Now publishing the odd book (one for the UN General Assembly underway now and maybe another for the Republic of Cameroon Arts Ministry) and looking for the new/challenging/fun.

On the personal front, in 1980 married a French art/ war photographer of the group Magnum, Gilles Peress, with whom I spent a traveling life for a dozen years between Paris, where we had a fantastic atelier where the 14th meets the 6th facing Cimitiere Montparnasse (Simone de Beauvoir was my neighbor, en face in 11 bis, we would nod and greet each other at the market daily). Zelig-like at world events, or holidays in hell: Lebanon when the PLO were ejected, in Guatemala during Rios Montt’s genocide, and Berlin for the Fall of the Wall, we put in some hard time in Belfast during the darkest, bomb-filled years of the hunger strikes and Troubles, doing a book (never yet was published). After divorcing in 1992, I met and married Andrew Karsch, film producer (Prince of Tides, Princess Caraboo, The Emperor’s Club, Curtain Call, and one shooting soon with John Malkovich and Glenn Close, among others…) and we adopted two gorgeous kids who are siblings with Argentinian roots, Isabella in 2002 and James in 2004. Isabel, twelve, is a great equestrienne, skier, on a travel soccer team, and a great drummer in the school band. She has a mane of dark hair at the longest eyelashes on the planet, loves animals and drawing. James, ten, is currently into parcours (death- defying stunts
done while racing through urban landscapes—tumbling, tricking, handsprings, rolls etc), skateboard, soccer, Minecraft and electric guitar. All boy, with hair to his shoulders, all cool—and knows it.

Now taking some space to recharge and open to new challenges. Among them, helping renovate a temple in Jalsimer, Rajasthan, India with a school for educating girls and women and teaching them a trade that will afford self-sufficiency; a fashion/culture magazine start-up with an energized Aussie friend “for women who read” on the occasion of her snappy lingerie line that pledges 50% profits to stopping world slavery (Yep, bras against bondage!); an NGO for high-design, highly energy efficient, highly affordable housing in my part of Vermont, the Northeast Kingdom, and its poorest area (though full of pure wild beauty.) Putting together a cookbook now on NEK recipes and gardening tips: maple smoked trout rillettes on safflower bread toast, anyone? So many possibilities.

Look forward to seeing you all!
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Family: I have been married to Mark Berman for 25 years. Mark owns a plumbing supply business in Tucson that has been in his family for 65 years. We met at his sister's wedding in New York in 1988. (She was a medical student with me at the University of Arizona.) In 1994, we were fortunate to have our daughter (we were both 40 when she was born). Alexandra, or Alex as she's known, is currently attending Wellesley, Class of 2016 and plays on the Wellesley basketball team. She is very active in the Athletic Department and is currently the official photographer for that Department.

When Alex was a junior in high school, we toured many schools in New England, but we did not visit Wellesley. Alex knew she wanted to play college basketball, and she wanted to attend the best academic school that would accept her on their team. She was adamant that she did not want to go to "an all women's school." In spite of growing up in Tucson, Alex was determined to go to school somewhere near Boston because she loved her New England visit and she loved the Red Sox, the Patriots, the Bruins and the Celtics. In the summer before her senior year, she went to two basketball camps in New England, one at Harvard, and the second at Brown. At the Harvard camp, the coach of her team was the assistant coach at Wellesley and the two hit it off. Alex was then recruited to Wellesley by the basketball team and to another excellent school, and my husband wisely recommended that I not go with her on those visits, so that I would not influence her either way. I traveled to Bogota to visit my brother and my husband took Alex to Wellesley. Before my plane took off from Miami to Bogota, my husband texted me that Alex had settled on Wellesley and planned to apply early decision. She was accepted and started school there in the fall 2012.

It was especially ironic to me that Alex was attending my alma mater. I had been terribly unhappy during my college years, and for many years, I blamed Wellesley. I was lonely, and as a pre med student, majoring in art history, I felt that I didn't really belong to any particular group. My father was a very domineering and controlling man and chose all my courses, allowing me to chose one of my own each semester. He interfered with my living arrangements my freshman year, and I was moved out of my room, and off the floor where I had friends, further isolating me. My junior year I wanted to go to France to study and the study abroad dean denied my request because she said she knew I was pre med and didn't want to waste a study abroad position on someone who was not truly interested in the arts. I was furious, and to escape the school, I signed
up for the twelve college exchange and went to Dartmouth. I had a wonderful time there, and only reluctantly returned to Wellesley for my senior year because Wellesley blocked my application to transfer to Dartmouth, saying it violated the twelve college exchange rules. I subsequently married a guy I met at Dartmouth immediately after graduation. He was from Arizona and we moved to Tucson where we both attended medical school. We were divorced by 1979 for a number of reasons which included infidelity and domestic violence on his part.

It wasn't until I finally severed my ties with my father in 2005 that I realized what a negative influence he had been on my life. He was unhappy with my performance at Wellesley (a B was unacceptable), felt the University of Arizona was a second class medical school, and never approved of my professional choices. With the help of an excellent therapist, wonderful friends and my husband now, I finally became free of his dominance. When I returned to Wellesley for Reunion in 2010, I saw the school with very different eyes. I'd always known that it had strengthened me and given me the courage to deal with the sexism that was rampant in medical school and medicine in the 70s and 80's, but I hadn't appreciated the other gifts I'd received through my education there. My appreciation of art, my love of literature, my desire to continue learning were all things that had been nurtured and fed at Wellesley. I saw the beauty of the campus, had a wonderful time connecting with old friends and began to appreciate how much Wellesley had given me. It wasn't perfect by any means, but its constant reassurance that as women we could do anything helped me tremendously in my career.

Taking Alex to Wellesley in the fall of 2012 was bittersweet for me. I had true empty nest feelings, but every visit to the college gave me another opportunity to appreciate what it had to offer. Its physical beauty is overwhelming, but the school values and empowers young women in a way that few other institutions have been able to accomplish. Our daughter is very happy at Wellesley and has matured and accomplished most of her goals. She is very close to her teammates, and I think she really appreciates what the school has to offer. Watching my daughter, getting to know her teammates, visiting the school frequently to attend basketball games and sporting events has given me a second chance to look at the college and reevaluate my own experience. It has been wonderful.

At this point, I'm still in private practice, busy, delivering babies and practicing gynecology. I love my office and patients, and at this point have no clear plans to retire. Mark, Alex and I have had lots of opportunity to travel, to visit my brother who is in the State Department and his family, as well as to travel on our own. In addition, I've been fortunate to visit with classmates from Wellesley, in mini reunions at my house on Martha's Vineyard. Nancy Livingston, Wynn Johnson, Alex Anthony and Carol Freeman have come together there to celebrate our years of friendship. I stay in touch with Barb Blakesley and hope to visit her soon in Boise.

As this Reunion draws closer, I know that it is a time for all of us to reflect on the past 40 years, and a time to plan for the years ahead. I hope to find a way to continue to work, but take more time off to enjoy my husband and daughter as well as to spend time with my friends as we ease into retirement. Wellesley offered all of us tremendous opportunities and now, I feel it’s important to give back to the college that gave us so much.
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Describe your family: My husband of 27 years passed away in 2010 from kidney failure. We have one son, who will be 30 yrs. old in 2015. He graduated from Brown University in 2008, and moved to the Bay Area. He began his career working in the nonprofit sector (doing marketing and events for a community housing development organization). He did a rather unusual switch to the for-profit sector and has now become quite immersed in marketing analytics. He moved back to NYC (where he was born and raised) in the summer of 2014 to work for IBM in marketing analytics. (Remember when IBMers were a “family” and folks worked there for their entire careers?) That’s no longer the case, but it was amazing to me to learn that he made that choice. Anyway, he loves his work, and does a tremendous amount of traveling – nationally and internationally- to do training of others. I learn all of this from my mother and mother-in-law, since he still is not much interested in communicating with me. (Long story…)

What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years?

- I’ve traveled a bit in the last 5 years, which I’ve truly enjoyed – South Africa a couple of times; Greece a couple of times; Istanbul and Ephesus in Turkey; Buenos Aires; Hong Kong and Guangzhou, China. I’ve also hit Spain, Italy, France, and a number of islands in the Caribbean. I REALLY would like to visit Australia at some point. I suppose that’s a “bucket list” wish.
- I’ve enjoyed the job I’ve been doing for the last 8 years. I’m the director of a center that provides nonprofit management education for professionals and volunteers at North Park University in Chicago. I’ve learned a great deal about leadership, about issues and challenges facing nonprofit organizations, as I’ve been responsible for a small staff, and for developing programs and training. I believe that I’ve contributed to making a difference with the organizations we’ve served - in terms of helping the leaders of those organizations to better prepare themselves to manage and lead the organizations more effectively and efficiently. The hope is that the organizations are then enabled to make a greater impact in the communities they serve.
- I’m blessed that my mother is still alive – at 90 years old! I’m so glad that I moved to Chicago from NYC 8 years ago – for this job, but it’s allowed me to get to know my mother in a different way. I left Gary, Indiana for Wellesley College back in 1971 – never intending to return to the Midwest. I’m happy to report though, that the time here has been renewing for me – both personally and professionally.
• What do you expect to be doing for the next five years—same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.?
  o Retirement isn’t on the radar screen as yet. I’m fortunate to be in good health to date, so I hope to keep on doing what I’m doing – or similar work. I’ve been in the nonprofit sector my whole career, and I envision pursuing at least another opportunity before I stop with formal work. Just as my mother’s life became busier once she retired (at 65), I can’t imagine really slowing down at the point that I would retire. I’d want to travel, become engaged perhaps in a different way in “giving back” at the local level. Since I don’t have grandchildren (and I’m an only child, so no nieces/nephews either), I sometimes think of volunteering in a hospital’s neonatal care unit - who knows. The point is, I will NOT just sit back and do nothing. I think the “next phase” of life holds much promise in so many ways, and I intend to see where that leads me.
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Currently I have a large general dental practice in Missoula. I moved to Montana about 17 years ago, after marrying the love of my life! After Wellesley, I did graduate work at Harvard School of Public Health, received a Master's degree from Case Western Reserve University, and received my dental degree from The Ohio State University College of Dentistry.

Prior to moving to Montana, I held positions as Assoc. professor of Pathology, and as an Associate Director, Tobacco Research Center, at West Virginia University Schools of Medicine & Dentistry, Byrd Cancer Center; The Ohio State University Schools of Medicine & Dentistry; Consultant and Examiner for the Oral Health & Dental Products Section, Procter & Gamble Co., Cincinnati, Ohio. In addition to private dental practice, I taught dentistry at both OSU College of Dentistry and West Virginia University for about 15 years. While teaching at OSU and West Virginia Universities, I was fortunate to become nationally and internationally recognized for my work in oral cancer and tobacco research, was appointed to two US Surgeon General's Committees, help write the first Surgeon General's Report on Smokeless Tobacco under Dr. C. Everett Koop, have written over 110 articles and chapters in professional journals, received over 50 grants, given presentations for the World Health Organization, traveling to various European and South American Countries, and appointed to various professional and editorial boards.

Over the years I have been involved in various fund raising efforts, obtaining over 3 million in funds for various health and community organizations. In Western Montana, my husband I have been great supporters of the arts, community and education. I have held current and past board positions with Community Hospital Foundation in Missoula, the University of Montana Davidson Honors College Board, U of Montana Presidential Scholarship Selection Committee, a Founding Board member of the Missoula Ronald McDonald House, the Missoula Symphony Board, the Daly Mansion Preservation Trust Board (helped during the restoration writing its first "Save America's Treasures" grants), as well as a member of the Missoula Rotary.

Currently, I am working with other local educators to start a Dental Hygiene School at the University of Montana, which we hope to start in the next few years.

From a personal standpoint, I am married to a wonderful Vascular Surgeon, Dr. George C. Roth Jr. who is originally from St. Paul, Minnesota, (Northwestern undergrad, U of. Pennsylvania (MD) and surgical training, U of Washington , Seattle). I had fun going to some of his reunions, and hope he can come to ours. We have 4 wonderful step-children, Jeff, Craig, Andy and Ashley and a great Chesapeake Bay Retriever named Angus. We have a lake home in Minnesota, which we renovated a few years ago, and has been in my husband's family at Bay Lake, near Brainard. However I enjoy the beautiful mountains in Western Montana, a variety of sports such as golf as a member of the Stockfarm Club, as well as landscaping/gardening and creative outlets designing jewelry under "Kathy S. Roth Designs".

In recent years, I have re-hooked up with fellow 1975 Wellesley classmates (Dawn Shears and Nina Bhardwaj, and suite mates from Tower Court, from later classes, Maggie Brothers and Cynthia Dahlin). We have had and planned annual mini-reunions in Las Vegas, Montana, and this coming year, San Francisco/Sonoma. Some of my pictures include them as well as pictures in Montana.
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My son Chip graduated from Stanford with a BS/MS in Electrical Engineering and now works in hardware product development at Microsoft in Seattle.

Most memorable events are my son’s graduation from Stanford and my annual trips to Europe, including a week-long history tour of Berlin and the Wellesley Friends of Art trip to London. This year’s trip will be to Madrid, Toledo and Barcelona.

Most of my volunteer activities are alumni-related. For Wellesley, I am New York Regional Co-Chair of Friends of Art and a member of the national committee. I am a member of Stanford’s New York Alumni Board, which plans alumni events in NYC, and the NY Arts Advisory Council. Also volunteer for Make-a-Wish.

My other activities are attending programs at the art museums and NY Historical Society, ballet and off-Broadway theater. I work out a few times a week and recently discovered barre classes, and belong to two book clubs – one of which is a Wellesley group. I’ve needlepointed most of my life, but started taking classes and learning about adding dimension through different stitches and threads.

As of now I have no plans to retire. My job in investment research is very interesting and challenging.

Fran summer of 2014  Fran with Chip in Cologne in September 2013  One of my needlepoints
Julie Crofoot Simons

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I have been happily married to my husband, Paul, for 34 years! How did I get so lucky? He is still my best friend. Together, we have three grown children: Perry-30, Daniel-28 and Diana-25. The biggest events of the last five years have all included milestones in our kids’ lives.

In 2012, Diana graduated from the University of Vermont with a degree in Sociology, a minor in International Community Development, fluency in Spanish and a yearning to travel throughout Central America. After a lot of travelling these last three years, Diana has now purchased a home in Colchester, Vermont and is settling in with her two lovable dogs, starting to contemplate more schooling and looking for a job. The Burlington area suits her and she is very happy.

In 2013, Daniel received his Masters in Mechanical Engineering from Boston University. That same year, he married Jennifer Ross, who is the daughter of one of my childhood friends … ask me about the story of how and when they met. They live just over the border from Massachusetts in Windham, New Hampshire and both work North of Boston.

Two years ago, Perry married Ariele Fredman, his girlfriend of 8 plus years, in a beautiful mountain top ceremony in Deer Valley, Utah. Ariele has felt like a member of the family for a long time so it was great to make it official. They live in Brooklyn (Williamsburg), New York and work in the city. Perry works in the corporate offices of Macys and Ariele is a senior publicist for Atrium Books (Simon and Schuster). Both of them have adapted to city life and love NYC.

Paul and I have owned a second home on Nantucket since 1991 and have been spending more and more time there since we became “empty nesters”. Now, we have decided to move to the island permanently. We both volunteer for island organizations, especially the Unitarian church where Paul is Treasurer and I am on the Board. My plans for the near future include: getting the house in North Andover ready to sell, finishing our plans for a big renovation of our Nantucket home, getting back to my landscape painting and building in some foreign travel. However, the top spot on the “list” goes to becoming grandparents and having time with the newest member of the family. Daniel and Jennifer are expecting their first child in August!! 😊
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I've been Senior Minister at Central Congregational Church, U.C.C. in Providence now since 1988. Lots of new challenges and opportunities every day.

My husband, Charles Rice, died in 2008; our two sons, Tom and Ezra are now 20 and 18, a sophomore at Trinity and rising freshman at Bowdoin. Charlie's courage in facing pancreatic cancer has been an inspiration. I feel blessed to have these two boys who lost their father early and have offered me new perspectives on life!!

I am raising cows and currently have 5 white faced Herefords at our place in Little Compton, RI. They are all pregnant and should calve before, or during reunion!

If you are in RI, do come and visit.

Shortly after Charlie died, the boys and I worked on a mission trip to Haiti; an experience that deeply influenced each of us.

For the foreseeable future, I will be tending my two footed flock as the pastor and tending to my four footed friends as their caretaker. I hope to improve my gardening skills and tractor ability; read more, write more, think more, laugh more, be useful to others near and far!

Looking forward to seeing everyone at reunion!
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I spent most of my career at The Washington Post, as a reporter, foreign correspondent and editor. My last position was head of the Universal News Desk, where I oversaw much of the integration of print and digital. In October, 2012, I moved over to The Washington Post's lab team, where we experimented with different forms of digital journalism in an effort to help the Post prepare for the future. I became the managing editor of WaPo Labs.

When Don Graham sold the WP to Jeff Bezos in 2013, he kept the labs team, renamed it Trove and focused us on producing our own digital journalism product, a news aggregator app and website. We collect content from thousands of news sites, sort that content into various streams of topics and rank the sources by quality. Readers use it to find stories on topics they are interested in. Curators are able to pick the stories to help readers find the best stories.

While the Post was an incredible place to work, I really love my new gig. I work with many bright, amazing software engineers and journalists.

When I'm not working, I love spending time with my family and friends. Lou is a lawyer and mediator and is plunging into jazz piano. My daughter Megan is graduating from Tulane and my son Matt is at American University and is into video and photography. I've also recently gotten really interested in photography and would love to hear from others who like to shoot photos. I visited Merriann Panarella in Vermont in October and we went out shooting photographs together. It was so much fun.
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My family  
My husband, Steve Taylor (MIT ’73), and I will celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary in July. We were married 6 weeks after I graduated from Wellesley. We met when he was a co-ed living in Freeman during my freshman year. We have two sons. Our oldest, Josh (age 32), is married to Michelle, and they have a son, Max, who is 3. They live on Long Island, NY. Our youngest son, Andrew (age 28), is a graduate student at Mass General Hospital’s Institute of Health Professions, working on his nurse practitioner degree (which he will receive in 2016). He lives in Somerville, MA.

My work  
I serve All Saints Parish, Brookline, MA, as their Director of Children’s, Youth & Family Ministries. I was called to this ministry in August 2006. I oversee all programming for children and teens at the church. This means I train and support a crew of volunteer teachers and youth mentors, and do a variety of other tasks designed to keep children and their spiritual health at the center of this vibrant Episcopal congregation. I preach occasionally, and always I am pastor to these kids and their parents. I’ve been a Christian formation professional since 2001 when I received a master’s degree in Religious Education from Andover Newton Theological School (Newton, MA).

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Since our last reunion  
I’ve become a grandmother! At first, this was a bit unsettling. The baby came before the wedding and somehow I didn’t feel old enough to take on this new role. But having this little boy in my life is one of my greatest blessings at this point.

Steve and I helped our parents move out of their homes and into assisted living situations. Both of these moves were stressful for different reasons, but necessary. My parents live in Rhode Island, so we see them on a pretty regular basis. Steve’s mother is in Michigan and we get out there a couple of times each year.

We’ve helped our children finance the purchase of a house (Josh) and a graduate school education (Andy). These are both loans that they are paying/will pay back. This has felt like an important and tangible way to invest in our kids’ futures, and they (as you can imagine) are very grateful!

I’ve begun to think about retirement: when, why, how? Mostly it’s a question of what to do next. While I love my job, I know I don’t want to do it much longer. I’m very interested to hear where my classmates are on this issue. I’m looking forward to seeing you all at our 40th!
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Describe your family: I’ve been married to Dan McEvoy for 23 years and am stepmother to Jonathan (31) and Andrew (27), and mother of William (Will – 21 last week!). Jonathan lives in Cincinnati, works in financial services, and is a budding real estate investor; Andrew also works in financial services and lives with his wife Laura and baby daughter, Margaret, in a suburb of Pittsburgh; and Will is a junior at Trinity College in Hartford, majoring in Political Science and French and studying for his spring semester in Cape Town, South Africa. Needless to say, he is having a blast…my favorite of his activities is his membership
in UCT’s Surf Club; he tutors underprivileged kids on Friday afternoons and then learns to surf afterwards! (As they say, “oh to come back to life as one of our kids!”)

My mother turned 85 in January and is still sharp as a tack (she retired from teaching high school Bio, Chemistry and Physics at age 82!) and spending her time between Shaker Heights, Florida and Chautauqua. She can’t wait for the day she turns 90 and will have a free gate pass for the summer season (!). My sisters Deb (W ’80) and Betsy (W ’82) are still pursuing careers in oceans policy and medicine, respectively, and live in the Northeast. My brothers are still in the mid-west – one in Chicago and one in Cleveland – never succumbing to the lure of the east coast like their sisters!

**What are some memorable events, accomplishments, or activities of the last five years?** Honestly, as one of the older mothers in our class, I guess that sending our third and youngest child happily off to college with myself still in one piece (oh, those unending applications and college visits!) has to count as an achievement! ☺ While I so miss having him around, the day-to-day juggling that has been my life for years is much less intense now, which is definitely a nice change. (Is it possible that home and work without the constant buzz of soccer, baseball, and basketball games, the challenges of young drivers and their cars, girlfriends, internships, chaperoning, school committees - and all that laundry!– seems like a vacation by comparison?!) Skype keeps us all very connected, but I’m sure you get my drift! Some of the more memorable events of the past five years were a trip to Venice and Tuscany last May to drop Will off at Trinity’s campus in Rome; Andrew and Laura’s wedding in October 2011 and the birth of their daughter in October 2013; Will’s terrific senior year baseball season (his pitching record was 9-0); and his graduation from King and Low-Heywood Thomas School in 2012. I was lucky enough to have the chance to do a pro bono project for IBM in China last September which was a truly neat experience and particularly eye-opening given what’s going on there politically and socially. Of course, time spent during the summer with family and friends at Chautauqua is always at the top of the list, and I was delighted to join the Chautauqua Board of Trustees in October 2013, something that’s been on my bucket list for years. I’m so happy to be able to make a contribution in a professional vein to my favorite place.

Something that has also been neat is how the next generation of our Wellesley classmates is becoming friends– my son Will’s friendships with Abby Plumer’s Ben at Trinity, Claudia Gourdon’s Eric, and Mary Woods’ Dillon both at church and in Cape Town this semester are only a few recent examples. I’m so glad our Wellesley friendships will transcend the generations!

**What do you expect to be doing for the next five years--same or different career, retirement, traveling, social activism, etc.?** Good question! I hope to be lucky enough to enjoy good health, family, friends, and travel to faraway places (and those that I haven’t had a chance to explore properly while there on business!). I’d love to play more tennis and sail and spend more time at the lake. But most importantly, I hope to make a difference in some way to better the lives of others.
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Having missed the last reunion due to a herniated disc, I am looking forward to revisiting Wellesley’s always inspiring campus and catching up with old friends. In the ten years since my last reunion, life has had its predictable ups and downs. I am still employed running my husband’s dermatology practice in Manhattan. The vagaries of managed care and the recent impact of the Affordable Healthcare Act have provided administrative challenges, but we continue to see a wide variety of patients of all sorts. We have also begun to volunteer annually at a clinic on the shores of Lake Atitlan in Guatemala under the auspices of Mayan Medical Aid. This is in addition to seeing patients in Morocco who are connected to the Royal Palace. We enjoy the diversity of these radically distinct venues!

At home, our son Alex, now thirty, is a self-described “digital nomad”—he does stock trading from various places around the world, basically anywhere he can find an internet connection. Right now he is in Vietnam, but he has recently been in Thailand and Israel as well. All three of us are very fond of Costa Rica, so locating a place down there for us to spend time in the winters is one of our family aspirations. We still enjoy our upstate New York weekend home on the Delaware River, but are particularly fond of it during the summer months.

For relaxation, I enjoy reading (two recent favorites are “The Narrow Road to the Deep North” and “All the Light We Cannot See”), attending the opera and visiting museums when I have the chance. I find I have more free time now that childcare duties are behind me and grandparenting duties are not yet on the horizon. I look forward to what the next decade will bring: retirement? grandkids? that house in Costa Rica? Stay tuned.
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I have lived in a small, rural, southern California town up in the mountains east of San Diego for the past 27 years. I have been married to Michael for 22 years. He is an IT technician working for a large aerospace company in San Diego. We have two wonderful children, both currently living on the east coast, and we miss them both terribly! John is 27 and in the navy’s nuclear program, assigned to the 5000-person nuclear carrier the Harry S. Truman. He is preparing for his second long deployment, probably once again to the Middle East. My daughter Julie is 19, a sophomore at Smith College, and she loves it! She is on the varsity volleyball team and often plays against Wellesley! She is a government/pre-law major, and is very happy at school. She is interested in some type of government policy job after law school, or possibly starting her career as a JAG lawyer since her brother has received such excellent training in the navy. Finally, my mother, Alma Mastrangelo Strabala ’48, turns 90 in a month, and continues to amaze. She still skis regularly, plays tennis every day, plays a lot of bridge, ice skates three times a week, goes to Curves to work out, rides her bike for exercise, travels a lot (she signs up for tours even when she doesn’t know a soul but makes new friends on the trip), maintains by herself her 5-bedroom home, and has the most positive outlook imaginable in life! She is an elegant lady and everyone’s real-life hero!

I lead a quiet but contented life here in southern California. I have worked full time as a substitute teacher at our local Ramona High School for 18 years now. I love teenagers and I love teaching, so I get to teach each day without all the meetings, correcting homework, and lesson planning involved in being a regular high school teacher! And two nights a week I teach ESL for our local community college, where I work with adult Hispanic parents who really want to learn English and are a joy to teach. Because San Diego has a very large Mexican population, I get to use my Spanish continuously and this has been both fun and useful at the school and in the community at large. I am very involved with my local Episcopal church, where I have been an active member since moving to Ramona 27 years ago. I attend a couple Bible studies regularly, and find my faith and church community to be great sources of friendship and hope. I enjoy working out at the gym, hiking, walking, socializing with friends, and reading. Life is good and I indeed feel blessed.
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I have been married to Milton (Ben ) Benjamin for 39 years in June. For those of you who knew me at Wellesley, you know Ben-he was my boyfriend throughout my 4 years. We have two adults sons-Kellen W. Benjamin, age 31; and Adam J.
Benjamin, age 26. Kellen is the Director of National Sales, IMG College, in New York City; and Adam is a Project Manager at Suffolk Construction in Boston. Both are still single and having a ball! Ben started his own company three years ago called KAGE Growth Strategies, providing diversity solutions to Fortune 1000 companies and minority small businesses. The nest is empty and Ben and I still live in the family home in Dedham, MA.

Some of the most memorable activity over the past 5 years was our family trip to South Africa for 2.5 weeks for my 60th birthday. We were there when Nelson Mandela died. What a trip!! The last five years also includes receiving 2 (total now 5) Honorary Doctorates from Bridgewater State University and the New England School of Law.

Over the next five years I look forward to transitioning to retirement; travelling; serving on a corporate board; writing a children’s short story book; and becoming a mother-in-law, and grandmother (at least that’s my plan).
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Married Charles G Ward III in 79
Lived in New York city since graduating from HBS in '79 except for a brief 2 year
stint living in London
Have four kids...all who live in NYC working in finance, theater, fashion and the
baby (25) is in school to become a doctor of physical therapy
Spent most of my time working in non-profits
Now is the part of life where we enjoy the fruit of our labors. We have homes in
Palm Beach and Truro, MA. Still serving on non-profit boards while Chuck leads up
to retirement....but travel and my dogs are the joys of my existence. We have been
so fortunate to see most of the world ..yet there are still lots of places out there to be
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My family: The first thing I do each day is check WhatsApp to see what news and pictures have come in from my family. Daughter Meg Ahern is working at the Global Partnership for Education in Washington, DC; son Jim Ahern is a first year medical student at Quinnipiac University and lives in New Haven; and daughter Caitlin is a teacher, editor, translator and relocation consultant in Graz, Austria where she lives with her husband Michael Luger and their one-year daughter, Claire. All are lively, interesting, and exhausted people. Mothering and grandmothers at this stage of life is absolute joy!

The last five years: I ended my career as a college English professor, my marriage of 34 years, and my residence in Ridgefield, CT a little over 5 years ago and life since then has been a series of marvelous discoveries. First, I moved to Long Island Sound, where I’ve rediscovered my childhood love of sailing and made a lot of wonderful new friends. I’ve also reconnected with my parents and siblings in new ways. A charming man in England has become my life partner. And I’ve done a lot of overseas travel: hiking in New Zealand, exploring the vineyards of South Africa, tracking elephants in Namibia, and serving as a relief worker in earthquake-torn Haiti. When I put myself out in the world I find I can all kinds of things I never dreamed of!

That last experience inspired me to partner with two Haitian child advocacy groups in Jacmel to address the lack of access to education in Haiti by sponsoring scholarship, after school tutoring, job training and summer camp programs. We currently serve 160 vulnerable children and provide management training to 16 adults. We’re ever growing! This work puts everything else I do in perspective by keeping me aware of what life’s real problems are and I feel very grateful to be able to make a tangible difference in these people’s lives.

The next 5 years: Before my divorce I was a planner, now I take each day as it comes. I hope my life continues to revolve around satisfying work, growing and deepening family ties (especially grandchildren), and the travel involved in keeping everyone and everything together. I intend to learn something new each day and never let the sun go down without telling the important people in my life I love them. That’s why I intend to come to our reunion!
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Family:  I’m the single parent of the singular Virginia White, who was born in China 19 years ago, graduated from Arlington High School in 2013, and is on track to graduate from Wellesley College in 2017. The photo of us above was taken in August, 2014, during a museum-heavy week in Amsterdam. My brother and brother’s family are all, still, in Tennessee, as was my mom until her recent death at the age of 98. Visits between Arlington and Tennessee are frequent. Middle niece, Kendall White, graduated from Wellesley in 2007, and lived in the Boston area until 2013, giving us local “extended” family!

Past and Future:  Work has defined me for a very long time. It is a time of life at which one considers next chapters. This page is already overdue, however, as are two briefs, so contemplative musings will not be included here!
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What have I been Doing? Jim and I will have been happily married 27 years in 2015. We are both retired. Jim couldn’t figure out what to do with himself after his first month of vacation so he went back to work doing quality assurance for the hospital at the National Institutes of Health. Other than a 20 mile commute, his three day per week schedule seems to be working. My step daughters, Karen FitzGerald and Lisa Meleo, are both doing well. Karen is a construction estimator and Lisa is an administrative officer. Karen’s two boys are in school. Jim, the oldest, graduated with an education-social studies degree from Albright College in PA. He will receive his MS in secondary education/social studies in August this year. Robby is studying criminal justice at Shippensburg University in PA. He has two more years to go. All of us have canine family too: Reese, Charlie, and Cooley.

Unfortunately, I lost my dad one week after our last reunion. I miss him and mom still, but this sad event reunited me with a host of family previously unknown. My mom’s dad had not one, but five siblings. As is true of most Irish families in the nineteenth century, we created a small army of cousins. The Buckley/Bartley family had a reunion in June 2014. Over 200 cousins from around the world reunited in the “Old Sod,” Fermoy, County Cork, Ireland, for a weekend of history, food, dance, and fun or as the Irish say it, “a gansey load of craic!” Now I do my best to keep up my family correspondence, learn more of our history, and am always working to expand the cousin roster on the Buckley side and on my dad’s side too: O’Brien, Sweeney, Bradley, ….
**Name now:** Mary Wood Woods  
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**Dorm:** Tower Court

**Occupation:** Retired in 2012 after a 32-year career in corporate and investment banking

**Now:** The past 5 years have been full of major transitions. I married Bob Woods in 2009, which was quite a leap (a very happy and rewarding one) after having been divorced for the prior ten years. I’m a big believer in appreciating prior chapters and embracing new ones. Plus, the name transition was easy, if a bit confusing and Freudian. (My parents’ names were Mary & Bob Wood, my brother’s name is Bob Wood, and my father-in-law’s name is Bob Woods.)

Our combined families thoroughly enjoy each other. Bob’s daughter Avery is a nurse in Austin; she and her husband are expecting our second grandchild any day. His son Baker will soon be moving to Seattle to work for Microsoft after earning an MBA from Darden and prior to that completing a Peace Corps stint in Paraguay. My son Spencer is currently home looking for a job after completing his degree in Video Game Design & Development from RIT. My youngest son Dillon is at UC Boulder and spending a semester abroad in Cape Town, South Africa. Bob and I will be traveling to Africa to visit him in early June, which sadly means I won’t be able to attend our reunion.

Retirement was another big leap after having had my nose pressed to the grindstone all those years. I dove right in. My days have never been shorter. I’m involved in a number of non-profit organizations, including Haitian Educational Initiatives, founded by our classmate Susy Whitcomb. I’m enjoying keeping up with our far-flung family, catching up on all the sports I never had time to play, traveling quite a bit, and not being chronically sleep-deprived!

As for the next five years – who knows? Life has a way of happening in unexpected ways.
Wellesley 1975 Class Record Book Notes

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Career Accomplishments: State award-winning Gifted Education program in AIG Technology, Presenter, Member and Board of Directors for State Board, North Carolina Association for Gifted and Talented (NCAGT)

Personal Notes: I have attended memorable conferences in gifted education with colleagues and compassionate living, activism and animal rights conferences in North Carolina where I have lived since 1993. I have enjoyed being vegan for 25 years, 1990-2015. I have a home in Pinehurst, NC.

Future plans: I hope to travel more.
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Memorable events:

- M.S. Technical Communication (2013) and ensuing improved employment. I anticipate working as long as my brain holds up, which I hope is for a long, long time.
- Found new life companion via online dating site.
- One of my sons has a thought disorder somewhere on the schizophrenia spectrum, so coping with him is a huge deal.
- My other son teaches kindergarten in an urban school and loves it.
- My wonderful mother, class of 1950, is still very much alive and wonderful.

A slightly off-kilter, typical me on Christmas 2014. Greetings to all Wellesley friends!
In Loving Memory…..

Constance Nease Burdette  January 1996
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Billye Turner Clinton  May 2011
Cynthia Coleman  March 2002
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Nicole Fisher  December 2001
Holly Foss  June 2013
Martha Hayes  November 2000
Marilynn Haynie  July 1996
Deanne Tetrick Knellwolf  July 1992
Geraldine Goode Lackey  September 2000
Margaret Lauriat  January 1985
Susan Hayes McCarten  March 2014
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Myra Shapiro Morris  July 2010
Susan Reed  July 1999
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Gail Strabala Voorhes
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Dorothy Trefts McEvoy
Joan Wallace-Benjamin
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